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CONDITIONS OF LIFE IN ENGLAND

SERIOUS DISCLOSURES BY
ROYAL COMMISSION

Influence of Big Cities—Alarm-
ing Decrease in Birth
Rate.

New York, Feb. 18.—A special to the
Times from London says:

The royal commission, which for the
last three years have been studying
the condition of the English poor under
existing laws, has issued a report of
1,200 pages.

Lord George Hamilton, chairman of
the commission, says that the delibe-
rate statement that the conditions of life in
London and other big cities are such
as to produce a degenerate, morally and
physically enfeebled class of people.
Last year the poor of England and
Wales received public relief to the
amount of \$14,000,000.

Yesterday also the registrar-general
issued his quarterly report which
showed that the birth rate of England
and Wales for the last quarter of 1908
was 24.6 per annum per 1,000. This is 2.4
below the mean birth rate of the pre-
ceding four quarters, and the lowest
ever recorded for a corresponding
quarter.

DENIES COMPLICITY
IN BILL MINER'S ESCAPE

C. P. R. Detective Says Story
of Missing Bonds Is
a Fake.

(Special to the Times.)

Vancouver, Feb. 18.—Chief Detective
Bullock of the Canadian Pacific railway
to-day issued a specific denial to the
charges made in the Commons yester-
day that he had held out inducements
of probable escape to the train robber,
Bill Miner. If the latter would give up
the secret hiding place of several hun-
dred thousands of dollars worth of
bonds said to have been stolen in the
Mission hold-up, Mr. Bullock says that
not only did he not discuss any plan
for Miner's liberation, but he knows
that the story of the missing bonds was
a fake invented on behalf of the train
robber by Miner himself or his friends.
Bullock says positively that no bonds
were ever stolen.

CONSERVING RESOURCES
OF NORTH AMERICA

Conference Summoned by
President Roosevelt Meets
in Washington, D. C.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 18.—With a
view to conserving the natural re-
sources of the United States, Canada
and Mexico, representatives of these
governments, in addition to many of
the leaders of the conservation move-
ment in this country, gathered here
to-day in attendance at the North
American Conservation Conference.
The delegates to the conference, which
was called by President Roosevelt, are
assembled in the east room of the White
House, where they were received by
Mrs. Roosevelt, preliminary to holding
a two days' session at the state de-
partment. Members of President
Roosevelt's cabinet, and of the National
Conservation Commission, also were
present.

The commissioners from Canada and
Mexico were presented to the presi-
dent by Secretary of State Bacon,
after which an address was made by
Mr. Roosevelt. At its conclusion, the
conference proceeded to the diplomatic
room of the state department, where
a brief address of welcome was
made by Gifford Pinchot, chair-
man of the conference. Then followed
responses by the visiting commis-
sioners and remarks by members of
the cabinet, and others.

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MAURETANIA BREAKING
ATLANTIC RECORD

Fleet Cunarder Nearing New
York Travelling at 26-
Knot Clip.

Newport, R. I., Feb. 18.—A new west-
bound trans-Atlantic record seemed
well within the grasp of the big Cun-
ard liner Mauretania to-day, when at
8 a. m. she was reported by wireless
as approaching Nantuxet lightship in
fine weather and tranquillity, and
with New York about ten hours
steaming distance away.

Previous wireless reports have
showed that the ship had averaged
about 26 knots an hour on her west-
ward run and to-day's messages in-
dicated that she was maintaining her
swift pace.

RAILWAY VICTIMS.

One Killed and One Injured When Struck
by C. P. R. Train.

St. John, N. B., Feb. 18.—Jos. MacNeil,
of South Sydney, and Walter Murphy,
of Limerick, Ireland, were struck by a train
on the C. P. R. between McAdam and
Vancouver on Tuesday night. MacNeil
was killed and Murphy injured.

RED RIVER SETTLER DEAD.

(Special to the Times.)
Winnipeg, Man., Feb. 18.—Victor Beau-
pre, who came to Red River 20 years ago
from Quebec, built the first government
buildings here, and was the first user of
the Black Rod in the Manitoba parlia-
ment, died yesterday at Gleichen, Al-
berta, near where he ranched.

POLICE FOIL
SUFFRAGETTES

TWENTY ARRESTS IN
LONDON DEMONSTRATION

Militant Propaganda to Be Con-
tinued by Woman's Free-
dom League.

London, Feb. 18.—The suffragettes
failed to-day in their attempt to pre-
sent Premier Asquith with the resolu-
tion adopted at yesterday's meeting of
the Women's Freedom League, which
declared for a continuation of the
militant propaganda for suffrage. They
first attempted to march in procession,
but their line was broken up by the
police. The police had completely
blocked all entrances to the thorough-
fare, and twenty of the more militant
suffragettes who tried to break through
the lines were arrested, charged with
interfering with the police.

For a time there was a scene of dis-
order, women time and again throw-
ing themselves valiantly against the
double line of police, only to be thrown
back, or if they were unusually per-
sistent to be handed over to constables
who marched them off to the police
station amid cheers, hoots and hisses
from the throng. The police finally
cleared the street, and the women who
were not arrested returned to their
hall, where they were addressed by the
leaders.

The women who were taken into
custody were later arraigned in a po-
lice court. They refused to pay the
fines imposed, and all were sent to
prison for terms varying from a fort-
night to a month.

The Women's Freedom League held
a large meeting in London last night,
and adopted resolutions to continue
the militant campaign for suffrage.
Mrs. Despard was delegated to carry
the resolutions to Premier Asquith to-
day, forty members in the audience
volunteering to form an escort.

Two suffragettes repeated the tactics
employed in the ladies' gallery of the
House of Commons some time ago by
chaining themselves to a balustrade in
the Gallery restaurant last night in or-
der to interrupt Augustine Birrell,
chief secretary for Ireland, who was to
speak at a dinner. The two women
were gagged, however, while flies were
brought and the chains cut. They were
then expelled from the restaurant.

SURRENDER OF SANTIAGO
IN SPANISH-AMERICAN WAR

Publication of General Blanco's
Cablegrams Gives Rise to
Controversy.

Madrid, Feb. 18.—The bitter contro-
versy aroused last week by the publi-
cation here of some cablegrams ex-
changed between General Blanco, at
Havana, and the government at Madrid
regarding the surrender of the city of
Santiago de Cuba to General Shafter
on July 17th, 1898, has been further
envenomed by the appearance of a
fresh batch of messages which demon-
strate that the government, when it
found that General Blanco was un-
alterably opposed to surrender, com-
municated directly with General Toral,
the commander at Santiago, giving him
a free hand to make terms.

General Blanco on July 13th tele-
graphed to General Toral that he would
try to relieve Santiago, and in extracting
him from his post that General Shafter
at low the Spanish garrison to retire to
Holguin, or return to Spain on Spanish
ships, as otherwise Spain would con-
tinue the defence.

"Regarding your suggestion," Gen. Toral
said further to Gen. Blanco, "that
some one must be found to assume
the responsibility for this situation,
I repeat that I am responsible for
everything that has occurred in Cuba
since October last."

The same day Gen. Blanco cabled
Madrid that the junction of the third
army corps with the Santiago garrison
had become impossible, but that Gen.
Torol must not surrender except on
honorable conditions. Madrid thereupon
authorized Gen. Torol to act independ-
ently of Gen. Blanco, but Gen. Blanco
insisted that General Shafter at-
tacking the Spanish garrison to retire to
Holguin, or return to Spain on Spanish
ships, as otherwise Spain would con-
tinue the defence.



A RUSH FOR THE FIRST TABLE
Head Steward—I'll try and keep something for you at the second table, but you see I must be hospitable to these good friends of mine.

STILL VOTING FOR
TORONTO'S NEW BISHOP

Choice Rests Between Canon
Cody and Bishop
Thorneloe.

(Special to the Times.)

Toronto, Ont., Feb. 18.—The third
vote by the synod of Toronto to-day
resulted in a change of but one vote
gained by the laymen from the second
ballot taken last night for the Bishop
of Toronto. Neither Bishop Thorneloe
nor Canon Cody have the majority re-
quired, and the synod will go on voting.
Rev. Canon Henry John Cody is one
of the outstanding figures of the En-
glish church in Ontario and in all Can-
ada for that matter. He was born in
Embro, Ont., and was ordained by the
late Archbishop Sweetman at Toronto
in 1893. He is now rector of St.
Paul's church, Toronto, and is one of
the church's leading controversialists.

DR. W. W. OGDEN ILL.

Toronto, Ont., Feb. 18.—Dr. W. W. O-
gden, who was chairman of the board of
education last year, is critically ill.

WILL SELL \$2,000,000
WORTH OF CHURCH LANDS

Deal Between Archbishop of
Boniface and Manitoba
Government.

(Special to the Times.)

Winnipeg, Man., Feb. 18.—The Arch-
bishop of St. Boniface is about to sell
to the Manitoba government two mil-
lion dollars' worth of church lands in
Eastern Manitoba, enabling him to
pay for the new six hundred thou-
sand dollar cathedral to found a semi-
nary and to establish other church
works. These lands will be transferred
to certain railroad corporations who
desire them in connection with big
operations.

SMALLPOX ON DOMINION CRUISER.

Halifax, N. S., Feb. 17.—Seven of the
crew of the Dominion cruiser Canada
have been sent to the quarantine hos-
pital suffering from smallpox, and the
remainder of the crew have been vac-
cinated and confined to the dockyard.

BERLIN FIEND COMMITS
FOUR MORE ASSAULTS

Berlin, Feb. 18.—Four more women
and girls were stabbed late yesterday
afternoon by the unknown criminal,
who has now committed twenty-nine
assaults, with a knife in the suburbs
of Berlin in the last few days. The
wounds inflicted were not severe. In
one instance the stabbing occurred on
the stairway of a house in which there
is a police station. Many arrests have
been made but the men have been re-
leased, after proving alibi.

HUNDRED DEAD IN
ENGLISH COLLIERY

Newcastle, Eng., Feb. 18.—All
hope is now abandoned of rescuing
the 100 or more miners en-
tombled by the explosion in a
colliery at West Stanley.

EARTH UNREST IN
ASIATIC TURKEY

HUNDREDS OF HOUSES
FALL; 30 PERSONS DEAD

Sivas Centre of Seismic Dis-
turbance—Shocks Con-
tinue To-day.

Sivas, Asiatic Turkey, Feb. 18.—An
earthquake that visited this district on
February 16th did much damage to
buildings, but the loss of life was not
great. Thirty persons were killed ac-
cording to the most reliable estimate.
Four hundred and thirty buildings
were entirely destroyed and 442 were
partially damaged.

Slight shocks continue to-day
throughout the vilayet and in the dis-
trict of Suseiri.

CARLETON BY-ELECTION.

Ottawa, Feb. 18.—Edward Kidd, ex-M.
P., carried the Carleton Conservative con-
vention at Stittsville on Tuesday by a
majority of sixteen over W. E. Garland,
after three ballots had been cast.

U. S. SENATE HOLDS UP
WATERWAYS TREATY

Protracted Debate Likely to
Ensnare at Next
Session.

New York, Feb. 18.—A special to the
Tribune from Washington says:
"It was formally announced in the
executive session of the senate yester-
day afternoon that the Canadian
boundary waterways treaty should be
permitted to remain on the calendar
until next session."

This of course is due to the opposi-
tion of Senator Smith, of Michigan,
and to the feeling that now the only
thing that remains is for a pro-
tracted debate on the convention, but
that Senator Root will be able to de-
fend it against amendment better than
any one now in the senate.

OPIMUM CONFERENCE IN
SESSION AT SHANGHAI

Shanghai, Feb. 18.—The International
opium conference, which opened in this
city on February 1st at the instance of
the United States, is making satisfac-
tory progress in the discussion of the
limitation and control of the opium
traffic. Reports from various coun-
tries have been received and debated,
and the conference will now take up
the matter of resolutions.

"FILIAL DEVOTION."

Hamilton, Ont., Feb. 18.—Because of a
squabble between his sons and daughters
as to who should settle for his keeping,
Wm. Atkinson, 94 years of age, has been
taken to the police cells.

GOWGANDA FATALITIES.

Two Men Frozen to Death in Mad Rush
for Wealth.

Toronto, Ont., Feb. 18.—Two mining
prospectors have been frozen to death in
the Gowganda silver district as a result
of being unprepared for the weather con-
ditions in the mad rush for riches.

RESPONSIBILITY FOR WRECK.

Quebec, Ont., Feb. 18.—Warrants have
been issued for the arrest of E. J. Farnham
Lane and Frankman, of the firm of Farnham
Lane and Frankman, in connection with the fatal
collision near Harrison on Jan. 15th. They
will probably be committed for trial at the
assizes next week, along with Con-
ductor Fleming and Engineer Kennedy.

CITY CAN HAVE
CONTROLLERS

REQUEST OF VICTORIA
FOR POWER IS GRANTED

Mayor and Two Others Form
Board—Equalization of
Assessment.

The request of Victoria for power to
establish a board of control was granted
by the municipal committee this
morning. As soon as the bill has been
assented to it will be competent for any
city working under the Municipal
Clauses Act to have its affairs managed
by such a board, consisting of a mayor
and two controllers, upon the rate-
payers expressing their desire for this.
Mayor Hall was present to support
the request and to ask for a slight
change in the bill as presented. The
union of municipalities, he said, agreed
on the principle of establishing boards
of control. Such a board relieved the
council of a mass of detail work, but
he asked that the board be composed
of the mayor of the city and two con-
trollers, instead of three, as suggested.
The committee dealing with the nomi-
nation and election of controllers and of
the mayor were passed as submitted.
Good progress was made with the bill
before adjournment.

A deputation from the municipality
of Point Gray, consisting of Councillors
Foreman and Stewart, waited on the
committee to urge the matter of equal-
ization of assessments. Mr. Foreman
stated that at Point Gray, along the
north shore of the north arm of the
Fraser river, there was a tract of some
one thousand acres, and the municipali-
ty wished the power to assess this as
agricultural instead of as residential
land. He explained that the land in
question could never be used for resi-
dential purposes.

In the matter of assessments gener-
ally, Mr. Foreman asked if there could
be no means of relief to prevent specu-
lators, getting in and cutting up prop-
erty into small lots. The municipality
was in an unfortunate position owing
to the action of some owners.
"It has worked out most unfairly,"
added Councillor Stewart. "One man
put up a fine residence on his lot and
the next man will build a row of
shacks."

He recognized that the question was
difficult of solution, but the committee
promised the usual "serious considera-
tion."

ELECTRIC REFINING
IN U. S. STEEL PLANTS

Instalment of 15-ton Furnaces
—European Methods to
Be Copied.

New York, Feb. 18.—The Iron Age
says to-day: "The United States Steel
Corporation has decided to introduce
the Heroult electric furnace and steel
process, after its engineers have made
a close study of the subject, extending
over two years, and have made a num-
ber of visits to the localities abroad
where electric furnaces and methods
are in operation. The outcome of these
investigations is that it has been de-
cided to put up one 15-ton Heroult fur-
nace at the Washburn and Moen plant,
at Worcester, of the American Steel &
Wire Company."

"The United States Steel Corporation
will, therefore, be the pioneers in in-
troducing electric refining both in the
manufacture of tonnage products, like
rails, and special steel for the wire in-
dustry."

"The quality of rails has been a
burning subject in recent years, and
the plan of producing what will be
the equivalent of tool steel quality in
one which raises high hopes for the
future. Plans for the two plants are
now being drawn, and construction will
be pushed so that both will be in op-
eration before the early summer."

BANK OF ENGLAND.

London, Feb. 18.—The weekly statement
of the Bank of England shows the fol-
lowing changes:

Total reserves, increase, £1,161,000; cir-
culation, decrease, £281,000; bullion, in-
crease, £280,000; other securities, increase,
£226,000; other deposits, decrease, £164,000;
public deposits, increase, £1,550,000; notes
reserve, increase, £1,180,000; government
securities, decrease, £70,000.
The proportion of the bank's reserve to
its liability this week is 20.2 per cent.
Last week it was 20.2 per cent.

BUDGET SPEECH
MADE YESTERDAY

MILLION AND A HALF
SURPLUS IS CLAIMED

Finance Minister Tells of Gen-
eral Progress and Prosper-
ity of Province.

Legislative Press Gallery, Feb. 17.

To-day saw the budget speech deliv-
ered by Hon. R. G. Taitow, minister of
finance, who had a surplus of \$1,431,447
to announce, and the prospect of a year
equally as prosperous as that which
has just passed.

Captain Taitow spoke well and made
a most interesting speech. He was on the
side. He was also listened to with
great attention by the opposition, who
joined in the applause which greeted
the minister when he sat down.

Prosperity in all branches of industry
was what Captain Taitow had the good
fortune to tell of, and he looked for an
even greater expansion of business this
year. The growing revenue permits a
large expenditure on public works dur-
ing the approaching fiscal year, over
half of the estimated expenditure of
\$5,000,000 being in that department. The
government is carrying out its prom-
ise to deal more fairly with the con-
stituencies which return opposition
members.

The debate will be continued on
Monday next by Stuart Henderson
(Vale).

The Year's Surplus.
In rising to move that the Speaker
leave the chair for the house to go in
to committee of supply, Captain Taitow
said:

I am again able to congratulate this
House on the satisfactory condition of
the provincial finances, and to inform
you that the balance of accounts for
the last fiscal year shows once more a
substantial surplus of revenue over ex-
penditure, a surplus obtained, I am
glad to say, almost entirely from the
manner in which the national resources
of the province are being appreciated
and developed and not from any addi-
tion to the direct taxation of the people.
By turning to the public accounts
you will find the total revenue for the
year was \$5,978,054, and the expenditure
\$4,546,607, leaving a surplus of \$1,431,447.

Comparative Resources.
Perhaps there is no better criterion
of the advance made by the province
than a comparison of the revenue for
the last six years, showing that the
receipts have very nearly trebled in
that period. The figures for 1902 were
\$2,009,412; for 1904, \$2,597,867; for 1905,
\$2,874,554; for 1906, \$2,992,900; for 1907,
\$3,358,632, a great increase over 1902;
and for 1908, \$5,978,054, steadily increas-
ing, but the greatest point of all is
that of the year with which we are
dealing over that of 1907, being about
one and a half millions, or nearly 50
per cent.

This increase is the more satisfactory
when we consider that it is largely de-
rived from crown properties such as
lands, timber, minerals and other
sources, which point to the advance-
ment and development of the province,
and not from increased taxation. In
fact, owing to these conditions we have
been able to make material reductions
in the rate of real and personal prop-
erty taxes twice in the course of the
last five years, and this in spite of the
fact that fourteen municipalities have
been incorporated during that period,
segregating from the provincial assess-
ment rolls a very large amount of val-
uable real property, with the result that
the total amount of taxes collected under
the heads of provincial revenue, in-
come, personal and real property, were
last year only a little more than ten
per cent. greater than in 1904, when
they constituted over 30 per cent. of the
total revenue, and now are only 12 1/2 per
cent., or less than one-half in propor-
tion. I hope if all goes well to be able
to announce a still further reduction
next session.

The total revenue from these four
sources, which partake more particu-
larly of the nature of direct taxation
on the ordinary individual as apart
from the speculation in wild lands or
the holder of timber, coal or mineral
rights was \$683,700 in 1902, \$790,105 in
1904, \$899,908 in 1905, \$700,811 in 1906, and
\$764,372 in 1907.

The revenue for last year, amounting
to \$5,978,054, it will be seen is largely
in excess of the estimate of \$5,258,476.
It must be remembered that this esti-
mate was made in the early spring of
1907, and based on the receipts for the
previous year, which were under three
million dollars. At that time there was
little to indicate the subsequent sud-
den increase in timber revenues from
licenses and royalties, which in 1906
amounted to \$500,000, and last year re-
alized \$2,258,000, or a million and one-
half more than the estimate. Again in
1906 nothing was recovered under the
terms of the Chinese Restriction Act,
and it was supposed that the \$500,000
tax had effectively stopped this im-
migration, so nothing was placed under
this head in the estimates, while in
1908 the province received \$445,000 as
its share of the tax collected by the
Dominion government.

Also, under the arrangement
made by the premier at the
conference at Ottawa in the fall of
1907, the province received an addition
of \$215,000 to the former subsidies. In
these three items alone an increase of
considerably over two millions is ac-
counted for, which could hardly have
been foreseen at the time the estimates
were framed, a circumstance not likely
to occur again now. That the meeting
of the legislature is held so close to the
commencement of the fiscal year.
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Fine Old Rye, per gallon, \$3.00		Bass Ale, quarts, per dozen, \$3.00
Native Port Wine, per gallon, \$1.25		Barclay Perkins & Co., London, Porter, per dozen pints, \$1.75

Copas & Young

WINES AND LIQUORS.

Phones 133 and 94. Phones 133 and 94.

—Dr. W. F. Fraser has arrived in the city from Armstrong where he has been practicing dentistry for the last few years. He has taken over the office and dental practice of Dr. A. J. Garesche, Yates street, which he will conduct in the future. Dr. Fraser, before moving to Armstrong, resided in Victoria since boyhood, and consequently is widely known here. He studied dentistry at Portland and Chicago.

—In Harmony hall, View street, tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock, under the auspices of the young men's class, a journey through British Columbia, Athabasca and as far as the Arctic ocean will be undertaken. Over 150 magnificent views of British Columbia and over 50 views of the Arctic Circle and Athabasca district will be shown. A cordial invitation is extended to young and old to be present. A collection will be made in aid of the work of the young men's class.

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DECISION GIVEN IN

BARBER VS. NEDERLAND

Mr. Justice Martin Finds Action

Could Not Be Maintained.

Mr. Justice Martin handed down a decision in the case of Barber vs. Nederland to-day. The action was one for damages which the plaintiff received by falling down a hatchway of the steamer Nederland at the outer wharf. The plaintiff claimed \$1,000 damages, holding the steamer responsible for defective equipment.

The judgment of Mr. Justice Martin on an application arising out of it is as follows:

February 18, 1909.

Barber vs. Nederland.

I have reached the conclusion that the action to set aside the proceedings herein on the ground that the action cannot be maintained must be allowed for reasons which will be later handed down.

ARCHER MARTIN, J.

CONSERVING RESOURCES

OF NORTH AMERICA

(Continued from page 1)

After extending on behalf of the American people his heartiest welcome, the President declared that nothing suggested better for the development of the entire continent than this conference. "I feel," said the President, "that this conference is one of the important steps that have been taken in recent years looking towards the harmonious co-operation between the nations of earth for the common advancement of all. In international relations, I think that the great feature is the growth of the last century has been the mutual recognition of the fact that instead of being normally to the interest of one nation to see another depressed, it is normally to the interests of each nation to see the others uplifted."

"I believe that the movement which you to-day initiate, is of the utmost importance. 'I am anxious,' said the President, 'to do all in my power to work in harmony for the common good of all instead of each working to get something at the expense of the other. Ultimately, each of us will profit immeasurably if instead of striving to advance, by tramping down the other, each strives to advance together for the common advancement.'"

PANAMA LABEL CASE.

Mr. Pulitzer Expected to Reach New York To-day.

New York, N. Y., Feb. 18.—Counsel for the publisher and editors of the New York World, who were indicted by a federal grand jury in Washington yesterday on charges of criminal libel in the Panama canal case, were to-day waiting the next move of the federal authorities before deciding what line of defence to adopt. Mr. Pulitzer, who has been cruising in southern waters on his yacht Liberty, is expected to reach here to-day.

—The children of the Victoria West Baptist mission are to have a treat tomorrow evening in the mission room, commencing at 7 o'clock when A. J. Piney, of the High school, will be the entertainer. All children are invited to be present.

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ROYAL COMMISSION AND ORIENTAL QUESTION

B. C. Resolution Is Brought Up in Federal Parliament.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, Feb. 18.—In the Commons this afternoon replying to J. D. Taylor the secretary of state said the government had not received the resolution adopted by the British Columbia legislature, asking that an application be made to the Imperial government for the appointment of a Royal Commission to inquire into the circumstances in connection with Oriental immigration into British Columbia. The government, he said, contemplated no such action.

Mr. Taylor said a resolution had been forwarded last March.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier said he would see if the correspondence referred to was in the Privy Council office.

SEVEN FATALITIES IN POWDER EXPLOSION

Steubenville, Ohio, Feb. 18.—Three persons were burned to death to-day by the explosion of a keg of mining powder in a coal miner's home near Colliers, West Virginia.

VOTE OF RATEPAYERS MAY BE NECESSARY

City Council Discusses Proposed Agreement With Electric Company.

The city council will in all probability have to submit to the people the proposition made by the B. C. Electric Company to the city with respect to power. The city council held a meeting last evening in the city hall when A. T. Goward, representing the tramway company, and W. J. Taylor, K. C., the city barrister, were present.

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GOVERNMENT PARTY FOLLOWS LIBERALS

Ministry Is Being Urged in Caucus to Accept J. A. Macdonald's Policy.

According to report J. A. Macdonald is not only the leader of the Liberal party in the legislature, but is also the leader of the Conservative branch of the House. The timber legislation which the government supporters are forcing upon the government in caucus is said to be that which was outlined by Mr. Macdonald.

The policy which is being forced upon the government includes the renewal of the licenses from year to year after the expiration of the 21 years which they have to run with whatever new regulations may be imposed from time to time in the matter of increased fees, etc. At the same time restrictions are proposed with respect to burning the brush left after cutting out the timber, so as to prevent bush fires.

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HONORED MEMORY OF PAARDEBERG HEROES

Memorial Tablet at Drill Hall

Decorated With Flowers To-day.

Nine years ago to-day during the South Africa war the action which is now known as the battle of Paardeberg opened. The engagement extended, however, over several days.

Victorians have good reason to remember the battle, for in it fell several well-known residents of the city members of the Fifth regiment and those serving in the Imperial cause.

To-day the tablet erected to their memory in the drill hall has been decorated with floral offerings.

The names on the tablet of honor are as follows:

Capt. N. G. Blanchard.

Sergt. W. I. Scott.

Gunner J. Todd.

Gunner J. S. Somers.

Gunner A. Maundrell.

To-day wreaths, bouquets and evergreens were placed on the memorial by the Imperial Service Club, the British Campagners' Association, the Sons and Daughters of St. George and the Canadian Club. The Fifth regiment will later do honor to the memory of their former members who fell in action. This will probably be on the day of the Paardeberg church parade, a week from Sunday.

The Imperial Service Club is also flying their flag at half mast to-day as a mark of respect for those Victorians who fell at Paardeberg on February 18th, nine years ago.

On Friday, the 26th, the Campagners' Association will hold a dinner, and a week from Sunday there will be a church parade to Christ church cathedral. In that parade the Garrison at Work, Point barracks, the Fifth regiment, the Cadet corps of the city and the Campagners' Association will take part.

Pittsburg, Pa., Feb. 18.—W. Ramsey, former president of the German National bank, to-day was found guilty in connection with the recent grafting scandal. The jury last night returned a verdict which was opened this morning.

Ramsey was accused of bribing Councilman John F. Klein, by giving him \$17,500 for which amount Klein was to procure the passage of an ordinance making the bank a depository of city funds.

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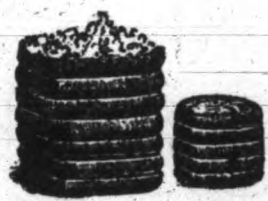
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**ELECTION ACT
CAUSES BREEZE****J. H. HAWTHORNTHWAITHE
THINKS HE SEES DEAL****Attorney-General to Investigate
Striking Off of Names
at Revelstoke.**

Legislative Press Gallery, Feb. 17.

This was a busy day in the House. The estimates brought down but the members remained till 5 o'clock discussing the amendments to the Provincial Election Act. The leader of the opposition had a lengthy amendment to propose, the object of which was to make the act perfect in a very important point. There has been no specific provision as to the causes for which a registrar may strike names off, nor has it been clear that he must do so in open court.

These amendments the attorney-general agreed to accept, but he would not accept a proposal that no man be struck off for non-residence until a year had elapsed from his leaving the electoral district. Mr. Bowser stated that he intended to give thirty days' notice for the service of notice on men who were objected to.

A proposal of the striking of some names off in Revelstoke prior to the Dominion election the minister of public works made a statement, the result of which was to start the Socialist delegation off on allegations of collusion between the two old parties to commit all sorts of injustice on the workingman, and especially on the Socialists.

Prayers were read to-day by Rev. A. E. Roberts.

Railway Enterprises.

Dr. Kergin (Skeena), in moving the second reading of a bill to incorporate the Prince Rupert and Port Simpson Railway Company, said that Port Simpson had a harbor second to none on the Pacific coast, not even Prince Rupert; and a townsite perfectly suited to be the terminus of a great railway. Those seeking incorporation desired a charter to build from Prince Rupert, the Grand Trunk-Pacific terminus, to Port Simpson.

Dr. Kergin also moved the second reading of a bill to incorporate the Graham Island Railway Company. He explained that this would run from the southern end of the island northward, and while its immediate purpose was to tap the coal areas it would, when completed, be of great assistance to settlers.

Both bills were referred to committee of the whole.

Election Act Amendments.

The Provincial Elections Act amendments were taken up by committee, Thomas Gifford in the chair.

J. A. Macdonald proposed an amendment specifying clearly the causes for which names on the list could be objected to before the registrar at the same time fixing the period where a voter had ceased to reside in the district at one year.

The attorney-general objected to the time limit and considered that the registrars could be trusted to act fairly. John Oliver reminded the hon. gentleman of a statement he had made in the House regarding a New Westminster case, of which no notice had been taken.

Mr. Bowser replied angrily that the member for Delta made so many statements in the House, no minister could be expected to follow them. "Has a statement of mine ever been successfully refuted?" asked Mr. Oliver.

"That is a matter of opinion," Mr. Bowser replied.

A Case For Complaint.

The member for Delta repeated the statement he made some days ago, that the registrar of voters in New Westminster, after giving a certificate that he had struck certain names off the list, put them back. Let the attorney-general sit up and take notice now.

"Do you say he did so improperly?" asked the attorney-general.

"I do, distinctly," replied Mr. Oliver. "He put them back knowingly and deliberately."

"Do you say the voters had no right to vote there?" persisted Mr. Bowser.

The names were removed at the request of the people themselves, and after the collector took them off and gave a certificate that he had done so he put them on again," Mr. Oliver said.

The attorney-general did not see that any great harm had been done, as the registrar had enfranchised men and not disenfranchised them. It was proposed by the department to issue a set of regulations to all registrars as to the proper practice and the department's view of the law. No registrar could be allowed to act improperly.

"Has any registrar the right to falsify the lists?" the member for Delta asked.

"No, certainly not," replied Mr. Bowser. "But it is surprising that this matter was not brought to the attention of the department."

"Not at all surprising," retorted Mr. Oliver, "for the men who have gone up against this thing year after year have no confidence that they will get justice."

"In the administration of justice the attorney-general's department has no political bias whatever," declared the attorney-general. "Why did not the hon. gentleman bring this matter to our attention at the time?"

"Because I have no confidence in you," was the frank answer of Mr. Oliver.

Struck Off in Revelstoke.

J. H. Hawthorthwaite stated that in his own constituency, Nanaimo, the names of Socialists had been left off. J. A. Macdonald drew attention to the striking off of some 250 names on the Revelstoke lists prior to the last Dominion general election, a matter which had been referred to in the Conservative Daily News of Nelson and in other papers.

"It was not brought to my attention," Mr. Bowser said.

Hon. Thomas Taylor, who came in

soon after, stated that the names had been struck off in the usual way. The list had been given to the secretary of the Revelstoke Liberal Association and he approved of it. The only desire had been to clean up the lists and get rid of a lot of names that had accumulated of persons dead or no longer in the constituency.

"Then as the hon. minister is at one with us in that desire he will doubtless support my amendment," remarked Mr. Macdonald.

The reference which the minister of public works had made to the approval of the Liberals of Revelstoke was like a red rag to a bull to the Socialist leader. He saw in this a clear case of conspiracy between Conservatives and Liberals to defeat the Socialists, and to deprive a number of workingmen of the franchise. There was a deliberate deal between the Liberals and the minister of public works, and he claimed that the result of the deal was the re-election of the minister was part of the deal. He was the president by acclamation of Hon. Wm. Templeman in Comox-Atlin. Both parties were really one, but would find "the party of the people" too many for them.

No Deal at All.

The leader of the opposition said this was another example of how much the member for Nanaimo could make out of nothing. He could tell the member for Nanaimo that there was absolutely no truth in that gentleman's suggestion of a deal between the two parties. He had been consulted about placing a candidate in the field, but he had declined to do so. He had no deal with the Liberals, and he had no deal with the minister of public works. He had no deal with the member for Nanaimo because, being consulted about containing this gentleman's re-election, he gave the same advice.

John Oliver took exception to Mr. Taylor's saying he submitted the list of names to be struck off to the secretary of the Liberal Association.

This drew from Mr. Hawthorthwaite the assertion that Mr. Oliver was just trying to cover up Mr. Taylor's "slip" about a deal.

Parker-Williams wondered humorously if the government was going to have the nerve to retain the forfeited deposit made by the Socialist candidate who ran against Mr. Taylor. He suggested that if this was returned perhaps they would agree to call the Revelstoke deal square.

John McInnes (Grand Forks) rather intimated that the opposition leader had "swiped" and amendment he himself had on the order paper in regard to giving a man a year before striking off his name for absence.

Let Time Limit Stand Over.

Mr. Macdonald offered to allow his proposal as to time limit to stand for discussion separately if the attorney-general would discuss the other features of the amendment. He desired to have it made clear to the voter in the notice sent him what the objection was which was made to the retention of his name on the list. His amendment also made it clear that names could only be struck off at the court of revision in open court.

The attorney-general expressed his willingness to consider these and redraft the section. At the same time he said he intended to extend the time of notice of objection from fifteen days to thirty days.

Mr. Hawthorthwaite said it was absurd for the government was trying to rush legislation so as to get rid of the whole hippodrome—for that was all the legislature was—and settle down to enjoy office and salary. If the members of the opposition were all Socialists this bill would never become law, no matter how strong the government was.

John Oliver deprecated any form of obstruction.

Thought Obstruction Justified.

The member for Nanaimo retorted that it would be justifiable in this case. Attorney-General Bowser declared that the government desired to have a good list, and had no fear of any list. He intimated his intention of making an investigation into the Revelstoke case.

Mr. Macdonald asked him to look into a case at Arrowhead at the same time, where twelve names had been presented at one time for inclusion in the list. One of these was that of a Conservative, placed with the others, and the others were left off, although all had been put in together.

John Jardine advised the attorney-general to entrust the investigation to some one other than himself, as otherwise his report would be open to suspicion, no matter what way it went.

The committee rose and will sit again when the attorney-general has prepared a new draft of the section. W. H. Hayward (Cowichan) has given notice that he will move for the reference back to the railway committee of the Goat River Power Co.'s bill, which aroused so much opposition when it came before the House.

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**PARKS BOARD HAS
STRUCK COMMITTEE****John Arbutnot Is Again Chair-
man—Estimates to Be
Prepared.**

The parks board held a statutory meeting yesterday afternoon for the purpose of organizing for the year. John Arbutnot was elected chairman, while committees were struck as follows:

Finance—Mayor Hall, Ald. Henderson and John Nelson.

Boulevards—Ald. Turner, Geo. E. Wilkerson and J. Nelson.

Parks—Ald. Turner, Geo. E. Wilkerson and F. B. Pemberton.

Animals and Property—Ald. Turner, F. B. Pemberton and Geo. E. Wilkerson.

The various committees will at once go into the needs under their particular heads and next Tuesday the board will again meet at 4 o'clock to consider the question of estimates before asking the council to include them in the civic estimates for the year.

In referring the work to the committees yesterday afternoon the chairman, John Arbutnot, advocated keeping in view the putting of the streets in good shape rather than spending money on the parks.

Ald. Turner, in supporting this, said he would oppose the boulevarding of streets that were not properly put in shape. There were streets now boulevarded that should not be done. Before a street was boulevarded it should be a finished street as regards the road bed.

An application was received from the Western Agricultural Association of Manitoba, asking for swans.

It was decided that there were no swans to spare and the letter will be replied to along that line.

A request for mountain goats and other animals from the Zoo was received on behalf of the Alaska-Yukon exposition.

After discussion it was decided to inform the writer that there were no mountain goats here.

The management of the C. P. R. wrote asking if anything was to be done with the vacant spots on Belleville and Government streets, now an eyesore.

It was decided to inform the writer that until the permanent sidewalk was laid it was not probable that the work would be taken up.

A protest against keeping the eagles and other birds caged at the park was received from Mrs. H. Kent and laid over after some discussion.

Superintendent England wrote that the employees under the parks board were improperly charged during the civic investigation into street work. No workman under the parks board had done work on Cross street, neither had it been workmen under the parks board that had driven the stakes into the wooden pipes which had given trouble at H. Callow's premises.

In this connection the question of hauling black earth away was referred to and to this Superintendent England made a satisfactory explanation.

On a letter from C. C. Pemberton with respect to cutting down trees in Beacon Hill park, Superintendent England explained that the trees cut down were all partially dead or were better removed.

Different members of the board agreed with this view.

Another part of Mr. Pemberton's letter asked for assistance in the way of looking after the trees and shrubs planted by the Natural History Society in the park.

It was decided to notify him that his letter would receive attention.

An application for compensation in the matter of salary from Mr. Horton, of the engineer's department, was laid over.

All the members were present at the meeting except F. B. Pemberton and Mayor Hall.

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THE BUDGET.

The annual budget speech of Finance Minister Tatlow was the feature of the proceedings in the legislature yesterday. It was a most interesting feature, too, illustrating the really remarkable progress the province of British Columbia is making in every line of industry. The receipts from almost every source of income have shown a steady increase since 1905.

Probably the most significant portion of Captain Tatlow's statement was the comparison between the growth of revenue from direct taxation and the increase from taxation upon the natural resources of the province. This condition of affairs is quite gratifying, bearing out as it does the contention of the opposition and of all competent critics that if these resources were utilized to the best advantage there need be no necessity whatever for direct taxation—that a province endowed with such magnificent resources ought to derive quite sufficient revenue from the application of its natural wealth not only to pay its way as it goes, but to rapidly extinguish the provincial debt. No doubt this feature of the budget will receive the attention of opposition critics.

Every resident of British Columbia will share the Finance Minister's optimism in regard to the splendid prospects of British Columbia. The conditions in general bear out the most glowing of the forecasts in respect of the province's future. Not the least gratifying feature of the budget speech is that part of it dealing with the present state and the future prospects of the basic industries, such as agriculture, horticulture, timber, fisheries and mining. Every one of these industries may properly be described as still in a state of infancy. We are yet importing yearly millions upon millions of dollars worth of food, although our total population is not much greater than half that of the leading city of the Dominion. This proves that there is ample room for development, and that the government could undertake no more important task than that of encouraging the settlement of the province with an agricultural population. Unfortunately, hitherto the tendency has been to place barriers in the way of such immigration, notwithstanding glowing statements about the extent of territory suitable for the purposes of the husbandman. Too much of our agricultural land has been permitted to fall into the hands of persons who hold it for speculative purposes at extortionate prices. There is no question that hundreds of immigrants come into the province yearly, only to depart disappointed in their quest of obtaining land under reasonable conditions. Under the circumstances, what can be expected in face of the fact that the great areas of the provinces of the Northwest are held free by the Dominion government for the benefit of immigrant? Until the government undertakes in a determined manner to find a ready for such abuses it will be vain for Captain Tatlow or any other finance minister to yearly call attention to the splendid prices obtained for butter, eggs, cheese and other products of the farm. The millions of dollars annually sent out of the province for the purchase of these necessities of life must constitute a drain upon provincial wealth until provision is made by a business government in the real sense of the term for the settlement of the agricultural lands of the province by persons accustomed to agricultural pursuits.

A SIGNIFICANT STATEMENT.

Mr. Thomas Cunningham, one of the best of authorities, has made a statement worthy of the serious consideration of the Victoria branch of the Vancouver Island Development League. It is that there are tributaries to Victoria fifty thousand acres of the very best fruit land in the world. This splendid area of land is blessed with the very best climate in the world, and consequently ought to prove the most alluring in the world to settlers in quest of a desirable place of residence. There are probably more of this class in Eastern Canada, in many parts of the United States, in Great Britain, and on the continent of Europe than at any time in history. The increase in transportation facilities and in the means of communication and general intercourse have been improved wonderfully within recent years, so that there are no insuperable difficulties in the way of making people in the most distant parts acquainted with the attractions of southern Vancouver Island and from the point of view illustrated

in the statement of Mr. Cunningham. There is no reason whatever why the development of the districts mentioned should not be hastened by an intelligent, well-directed advertising campaign. If the fifty thousand acres mentioned were occupied by as many people there would, even under present circumstances as regards population, be an ample market at splendidly remunerative prices for everything such a community could produce. The effect upon the growth of Victoria of such a contributory population need not be dwelt upon. For many years we have been discussing ways and means of attracting railways to Vancouver Island. Wherever population and business are to be found, there will railways be also. The first consideration, therefore, is population.

With an overflowing treasury the McBride government should surely have had the courage to abolish the revenue tax, which every one, and particularly every one qualified, is agreed is an unjust and inequitable system of taxation. It is unfair in its incidence and ought to be done away with before the lapse of many years we shall have a government in power in British Columbia which will wipe out all forms of direct taxation. That could easily be done if the natural sources of revenue were utilized to the best advantage.

It is announced that the daughter of Betty Green, the richest woman in the United States, if not in the entire world, is going to marry a young Canadian. That young man is a lucky dog. Being a Canadian, he is not taking the girl on account of the magnitude of her possessions. It is therefore a genuine case of love; and as poverty can never fly in at the window of the establishment of the twin, love must also dwell there in perpetuity. Mrs. Green has displayed as sound judgment in choosing her son-in-law as she has in her many profitable investments. Most of her contemporaries have gone farther and fared worse. Of course no nobleman from the continent of Europe could compete legitimately in the matrimonial market with a healthy, well set up young Canadian.

People of the British or Anglo-Saxon race will hardly feel flattered upon being told that they must take immediate action to avoid being submerged by their neighbors of Mongolian or Asiatic blood. If we are destined to suffer an eclipse, the effect must be looked for in causes which have no connection with the alleged designs of Japan upon the Pacific Coast of Canada. Our esteemed cross-eyed neighbor therefore cannot found a policy upon its late criminal offence in connection with that telegram.

The Cunard steamship Mauretania is steaming in the direction of New York at the rate of twenty-six knots an hour. This British ocean greyhound is evidently going to break every record upon the calendar, although the season of the year is most unfavorable. Either she or her sister ship, the Lusitania, may bring the time across the Atlantic within four days as they reach the zenith of their powers.

Captain Tatlow's budget speech simply demonstrates that even under the most unfavorable conditions nothing can stem the progress of this province of limitless natural resources. Although our population is the smallest of any province with the exception of one, the provincial revenue is the largest with the possible exception of that of the province of Ontario, the most populous of the provinces.

The United States Senate is not going to permit the Waterways Treaty with Canada to go into effect without giving it serious and prolonged consideration. What a time that tariff commission will have in trying to convince the Senate of the necessity for tariff revision.

The unusual appropriations for public work indicate unmistakably the intention of the McBride government to dissolve the present legislature before another session unless something unforeseen turns up. The opposition ought to get its house in order.

A scientific observer of the signs of the times points out that physical and moral degeneracy are the inevitable consequences upon population of the growth of such abnormal cities as London town. Yet people will flock in countless numbers to such places.

The Suffragettes Militant have lost no time in beginning operations for the parliamentary session. Officialdom apparently has little respect for the sex.

THE NOTORIOUS FORGERY.

(Toronto Globe.)
Mr. Borden's conduct is not revealed in any more favorable light as additional facts are extracted with reference to the now famous forged "despatch." The despatch which Mr. Borden now repudiates appeared in the Columns of the Colonist on October 26th. On November 26th Mr. Templeman addressed a letter to Mr. Borden asking if the telegram published in the Colonist was genuine. Up to January 22nd Mr. Templeman had received no written answer to his letter. On Mr. Borden's return from the south the two met in the club and Mr. Borden referred to his delay in answering the letter, but Mr. Templeman declares that the only definite idea he obtained from the conversation was that Mr. Borden was making inquiries into the matter. Mr. Borden's own language in describing

the meeting coincides with Mr. Templeman's characterization of it. He says he understood that Mr. Templeman would "gather" that there was some mistake in the telegram. Mr. Templeman did not "gather," and if Mr. Borden had frankly said that the telegram as appearing in the Colonist was false he would not have needed to do any "gathering." Mr. Templeman advised the editor of his letter to Mr. Borden, but Sir Wilfrid did not know when he brought the matter up in parliament that Mr. Borden denied the authenticity of the Colonist telegram.

It was on this state of facts that the News made its attack on Sir Wilfrid declaring that he had been guilty of "dirty fighting." The "Independent" organ's idea of justice was virtually to let everybody off scot free except the man who had the temerity to raise the veil on the whole dishonest business. Since it is so sensitive to "dirty fighting," will the News give the public an "Independent" opinion of what it thinks of Mr. Borden's conduct in taking three months to repudiate distinctly an alleged despatch of his which had been the most prominent campaign document on the Pacific coast, and with having failed to answer frankly a plain question whether he was the author of the despatch. Was he waiting to see whether it would still be of use in any future struggle in British Columbia? As his denial had to be made good out of him on the floor of parliament three months after the falsehood was perpetrated he cannot complain that such interpretations suggest themselves to account for his conduct. If one were looking for "dirty fighting" in this business he would find it somewhere else than in the actions of the premier, who merely drew the attention of parliament to a telegram which had been published broadcast, and which for three months the putative author had not only denied, but was unquestionably dodging a denial until the premier forced it from him on the floor of parliament. His airs of injured innocence are a little wearisome and absurd. The whole circumstances form a new and unfortunately unpleasant glimpse into his character.

And now as to Mr. Barnard. He owes his seat in the House to a forgery. Does he intend to cling to it?

THE GREAT QUESTION.

(Rochester Post Express.)
"Can anybody explain the mystery of life and death?" asks Dr. Lyman Abbott. If the doctor will possess his soul in patience until the associate editor returns from Africa, all such little mysteries will be explained.

NEW OFFICE IN
PROVINCIAL POLICE

J. H. McMullen Will Act as Inspector Under Superintendent Hussey.

A new office has been created by the government in connection with the provincial police. It is that of inspector. The appointment has already been made, the position being filled by J. H. McMullen, former of Fernie. He has entered upon his duties and will make his headquarters in Victoria. The appointment of Mr. McMullen is announced by the attorney-general's department to be due to the press of work. Superintendent Hussey, it is said, has too many duties to allow of his making investigations found necessary at various points in the province, and for that reason Mr. McMullen is appointed to this office. His duties will take him away from the capital a good deal.

GORDON HEAD NEWS.

Masked Ball Held at Temperance Hall—School Children Will Entertain.

(Special Correspondence.)
Gordon Head, Feb. 18.—The Cedar Hill Five Hundred Club held a masked ball in Temperance hall last evening. Prizes were awarded as follows: Ladies' costume, 1st, Miss Laing, as "Night"; gentlemen's, 1st, Mr. McMorran, Indian; character, 1st, Dooley Thurburn, as a coon.

Gordon Head Sunday school children will give a concert on Friday evening in aid of the church. It will be held in the Gordon Head hall. Cedar Hill Football Club will hold a meeting this evening to elect officers for the coming season, and to wind up the affairs of the past season.

One of the English skyraks which were imported here from the Old Country, has established itself in the district and was heard for the first time this year last Tuesday.

JAP MINISTER FOR CHILI.

Santiago, Chili, Feb. 18.—Eki Hioki, the newly appointed Japanese minister to Chili, arrived here to-day. Japan has never before been represented diplomatically in Santiago, and the sending of Mr. Hioki is an evidence of the interest Japan is taking in the Pacific coast of South America.

NEWSPAPER READERS.

At the annual dinner of the East of Scotland branch of the Institute of Journalists, which was held in the Carlton hotel, Edinburgh, recently, Arthur Dewar, K. C., M. P., in proposing the toast of "The Institute," said he had observed the different ways in which different people read the newspapers. A lady first read the births, marriages and deaths, and when the court news, and then she went to the advertisements. He had noticed in travelling up to London that the Englishman first read the sporting news, and could only be induced to look at the general news by means of startling headlines. "Horrible Murder" as a rule was not enough. There must be a subheading, "Revolutionary Details." The leading article of the London paper was small, and was getting smaller. It was there by tradition, just as the sermon in churches in England was there by tradition. A Scotsman looked at his newspaper from a different point of view. He first read the summary, and second the leading articles, with not one word of which he

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NAVY PRINT DRESSES
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Representatives were present from nearly every section of the province and the following officers were elected: J. J. Banfield (Vancouver), president; J. T. Robinson (Kamloops), first vice-president; E. Elwell (Cranbrook), second vice-president; C. H. Macaulay, hon. secretary-treasurer; committee: W. A. Lawson (Victoria), R. M. Bird (Nelson), F. B. Lewis (Revelstoke), D. P. Kane (Kaslo), P. R. Pearson (New Westminster), W. S. Holland (Vancouver), T. S. Gilmore (Rossland), C. F. Costerton (Vernon).
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TRADES AND LABOR.
Business Brought Before Regular Meeting Held Last Night.
The Trades and Labor Council held its regular meeting last evening. A report was received from the executive committee that the city council had referred to the Street Railway Employees' Association in civic contracts, and for an eight-hour day to the legislative committee.
A report of the executive on the move for the abolition of the revenue tax, was laid over.
A special committee was appointed to act in conjunction with the executive with respect to the question of day labor versus contract labor on civic work.
A letter was read from Premier McBride, in which he stated that the council's suggestion that a statistical labor bureau be established would receive the government's earnest consideration.
R. N. Pettyplace, of Vancouver, addressed the meeting and was heartily received, and Delegate Wilson, a member of the Street Railway Employees' Association in Vancouver, and vice-president Sayers of the Vancouver Trades and Labor Council also addressed the meeting and were the recipients of a hearty vote of thanks.
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He expresses the greatest surprise that the people of the district do not have a livelier appreciation of the possibilities which lie in the settling of their lands with a horticultural population.
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—Major and Mrs. Plant, the musical wonders of the Salvation Army, will be in Victoria on Saturday, Sunday and Monday. Wherever they have gone they have had remarkable success, and the buildings in which they appeared have been crowded with eager listeners. Major and Mrs. Plant manipulate a great number of instruments, some of which have been gathered from the different countries they have visited, as well as others being manufactured by the major himself. Major and Mrs. Plant will be in the A. O. U. W. hall on Sunday, and on Monday night will give their famous "musical" entitled "Around the World in a Chariot of Music and Song," in the Salvation Army Citadel.
—Building permits have been issued to E. W. Grant for two houses on Pandora street of five rooms each, valued at \$1,000 each; M. B. Pollock, a five roomed house, Mt. Thomas road, to cost \$1,000, and to J. Salmon, Chapman street, for a four roomed dwelling to cost \$1,000.

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JAM, Crosse & Blackwell's Strawberry or Raspberry, 7-lb. tin, for.	\$1.00
JAM, Chiver's English Pure, one pound glass jars, Strawberry or Raspberry, 2 for.	35c
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SARDINES, Albert, per tin.	25c
SARDINES, Norwegian Smoked, 2 tins for.	25c
SARDINES, Mordelab, per tin.	15c
SALMON, Star Brand, 2 tins for.	25c
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OGILVIE'S ROYAL HOUSEHOLD FLOUR, per sack.	\$1.75
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POTTED MEAT FOR SANDWICHES, four tins for.	25c
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GENUINE INDIAN CHUTNEY, quart bottle.	50c
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READY CUT MACCARONI, 2 pkts.	25c
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Sporting

ORIGINAL ATTRACTION
AT OAK BAY SATURDAY

Relay Walk Between Clark and Marchant Against Vaughan.

There will be an extra attraction at Oak Bay on Saturday afternoon in addition to the Soccer game between Victoria West and Nanaimo. The proposed 5-mile walking match between Clark, who with Marchant has just arrived from Quebec, walking across the continent, and A. C. Vaughan, of this city, has been broadened by the parties with the object of giving the public an opportunity to witness both men on their feet "padding it round" the Oak Bay track fifteen times.

Vaughan last night agreed to walk the two men in a relay race over five miles. Clark will start out and take the first two and a half miles, when Marchant will jump in and pick up the running and carry on the race to the finish.

Vaughan will thus have a fresh and able walker against him at the commencement of his second half of the journey, and although he has made some fast times here he will have to walk Saturday to keep ahead of the two visitors. The first proposal that Vaughan should walk against Clark was adhered to until it was discovered by Clark's backers that their man could not make Vaughan's time over the distance by at least two minutes, he having given a trial at Oak Bay yesterday afternoon. He, however, agreed to walk them both in a relay race at the meeting held last night, and the details were settled.

Clark suggested Vaughan should walk him with forty pound packs on their backs, but the idea did not meet

with the hearty approval of the local man. A medal has been offered for the winner, and in the event of the contingent walkers winning, two medals will be presented them; the donors being the newly formed Empress Athletic Club, a representative of which appeared at the meeting last night and made the offer. C. S. Jephson, of the Northern Crown bank, has consented to judge the event, which will commence at 3.30 p.m.

The Oak Bay track is three laps to the mile so that over five miles the contestants will have to make the oval fifteen times. Vaughan will go the whole distance, and Clark and Marchant will walk seven and a half laps each. This is the first public appearance in an enclosed event the contingent walkers have made since leaving Quebec on their long trip, all their efforts heretofore having been in the open country. Track walking, however, is not new to them. The ordinary rules of heel and toe walking are to apply to the contest, and the three men will walk in the lightest possible clothing.

A timekeeper and two track judges are being selected to-day, and will be announced before the day of the race.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL
JUNIOR GAME SATURDAY.
Ladysmith juniors and North Ward juniors are to play for the first time this season in the island junior league on Saturday. The game will be played at the Royal Athletic ground.

LADYSMITH VS. VANCOUVER.
The final P. C. L. game of the year will be played Sunday next at Ladysmith, when Ladysmith and Vancouver eleven meet. The Vancouver eleven is as follows: Goal, Forrest; backs, Gunzow, McLean; halves, Neilson, Graham, Knowles; forwards, Jones, Robertson, Mackenzie, Viney, Anderson, Reserves, Scott and Herring.

TO DECLARE WINNERS.
To-night at Victoria West hall the following will be declared winners in the local Soccer leagues under the Victoria and district Association football league: Senior, Victoria West; Intermediate, North Ward; Junior, Beacon Hill.

Arrangements are to be made for the presentation of cups and medals. The meeting will take up all business in connection with the winding up of the season.

LADIES' HOCKEY TEAM

TO PLAY VANCOUVER

Strong Aggregation Goes to Mainland After B. C. Honors.

Hockey captain Miss Raymond with ten of the best Victoria lady hockey players, and one reserve player, will leave on Friday night for Vancouver on the Princess Charlotte. They will meet the Vancouver ladies hockey eleven and play the first game between the two cities this year. They intend to do better than the men of the city have done against the hockey men of the mainland. They have practiced energetically and faithfully in order to get into first class condition and to bring victory to Victoria.

A second game will be played here later on in the season, but the local ladies are more than anxious to win the first game of the two, and have selected the strongest team to go over Friday night, and take the field Saturday at Brockton Point. The team is: Goal, Miss Baines; backs, Miss Garley and Miss J. Vincent; half-backs, Mrs. Hamilton, Miss Nelson and Miss. Tubbs; Forwards, Miss Hiscocks, Miss Carne, Miss Raymond, Miss Grant and Miss M. Hall. Reserve, Miss Lowe.

Vancouver this year is said to have a strong aggregation of lady hockey players, and the team which will take the field against Victoria will no doubt be the best in the Terminal City clubs.

GARRISON AT VANCOUVER.

The Garrison hockey team goes to Vancouver to play the Terminal City eleven in the second game between the teams on Saturday. Vancouver won against the Garrison here.

BASKETBALL.

PORTLAND BEATEN.

The news that the Portland basketball five, representing the Y. M. C. A. of that city, was beaten, badly at Seattle on Tuesday night will be received here with a considerable amount of pleasure. Portland was away behind in the final score, although at the end of the half Seattle wanted two points to catch the visitors. They rattled up a big division, however, and came away over a dozen points to victory.

Every time Portland is beaten on, tour the Victoria Y. M. C. A. five got nearer the top. Neither team has yet been beaten on its home floor, and the game here Saturday night ought to be about as close as has been played at the Assembly rink.

SCHOOL FOOTBALL.

Central and Victoria West schools meet on Saturday in the school soccer schedule, and the University and Collegiate Rugby teams play in the Rugby league.

THE RING.

DUFFY AND STANDEN.

Duffy and Standen will box fifteen rounds on Saturday night before the Nanaimo Athletic Club in the Athletic hall, Nanaimo. Both men are reported to have taken well to their training and to be in condition. On performance and appearances Standen should be the winner.

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VANCOUVER NOW AFTER

BIG MARATHON RACE

H. J. Duker Will Endeavor to Bring Runners on to B. C. Track.

Vancouver, Feb. 17.—Vancouver will shortly be assailed by a Marathon, at least it will if the plans of Harry J. Duker, better known as the manager of Recreation park, mature. The elongated one has the microphone, it has been turning in his system ever since that wonderful Indian runner, Thomas Longboat, set New York Marathon crazy. It will not down, and there is every probability that Harry will fall.

Duker is going to Seattle Monday to see the big Washington Marathon run. Two Vancouver runners, Harry Johnson and Billy Chandler, are booked for this event, and all the star long-distance runners of the coast are also entered. It promises to be a great contest, and if it looks good to Harry he proposes to duplicate the race here a couple of weeks later. He plans a mammoth open-air Marathon to be run entirely on the cinder path at Recreation park. He intends to personally interview every prominent runner who competes in the Seattle race, and if possible secure him for the race here. The Marathon is not new to Vancouver. It has been tried before, but never under the conditions they are running them in the east, on a track in full view of the assembled multitude. Mr. Duker thinks a similar Marathon here would be a big success. At any rate he intends in his capacity of promoter to try it at the downtown park.

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This evening at the Victoria theatre "Dolly Varden" will be presented by the San Francisco Opera Company. The return of the company will be hailed with delight by the many who enjoyed their production on the last visit to the city. With Teddy Webb as a star comedian the production promises to be of a high order. The supporting company is a good one and has won praise everywhere it has appeared on the coast.

THE NEW GRAND.

This Week's Programme is Attracting Crowded Houses.

With a show which even the most hardened vaudevillians are forced to admit would do credit to a city ten times the size of Victoria, the New Grand is "packing them in" at every performance this week. The big features are Colin's dogs in the playlet, "It Happened in Dogville." The Barstini troupe of five acrobats and globe rollers, and Errac, the violinist, which are all received with about equal enthusiasm. Franklyn Ardelle and Company have a great sketch "Catastrophe," and the illustrated song, unusually good.

SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH-WEST LAND REGULATIONS.

Any person who is the sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years old, may homestead a quarter section (100 acres, more or less) of available Dominion land in Manitoba, Saskatchewan or Alberta. The applicant must appear in person at the Dominion Lands Agency or Sub-Agency for the district. Entry by proxy may be made at any agency, on certain conditions, by father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister of intending homesteader.

DUTIES—Six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each of three years. A homesteader may live within nine miles of his homestead on a farm of at least 30 acres solely owned and occupied by him or by his father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister.

In certain districts a homesteader in good standing may pre-empt a quarter section alongside his homestead. Price \$2.00 per acre. Duties—Must reside six months in each of six years from date of homestead entry (including the time required to earn homestead patent) and cultivate fifty acres extra.

A homesteader who has exhausted his homestead rights may obtain a pre-emption may take a purchased homestead in certain districts. Price \$3.00 per acre. Purchased homesteads may be acquired on any available lands on either odd or even numbered Sections south of Township 48, east of the Calgary and Edmonton Railway and the west line of Range 26, and west of the third Meridian and the Sault Railway line. Duties—Must reside six months in each of three years, cultivate fifty acres and erect a house worth \$200.

SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH-WEST MINING REGULATIONS.

COAL—Coal mining rights may be leased for twenty-one years at an annual rental of \$1.00 an acre. Not more than 250 acres can be leased to one applicant. Royalty, five cents per ton.

QUARTZ—A person eighteen years of age and over having made a discovery may locate a claim 1500 feet by 1500 feet. Fee, \$5.00. At least \$100 must be expended on the claim each year, or paid to the Mining Recorder. Royalty, 10 per cent. expended or paid and other requirements complied with the claim may be purchased at \$1.00 an acre.

PLACER MINING CLAIMS generally, 100 feet square. Entry fee, \$5.00. DREDGING—Two leases of 1500 acres each of a river may be issued to one applicant for a term of 20 years. Rental, \$10 a mile per annum. Royalty, 25 per cent. after the output exceeds \$10,000.

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SUGGESTS APPOINTMENT OF TRADE COMMISSION

Sir T. Shaughnessy Advocates Cheapening of Transportation Facilities in Canada.

Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, president of the Canadian Pacific railway, thinks that the time has come when Canada should have a trade commission as well as a railway commission.

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In the opening paragraphs of his article Sir Thomas refers to the growing purchasing power of the west and goes on to advocate the cheapening by every possible means of the transportation facilities of the country. He says: "We must see that our St. Lawrence navigation and the approaches to our Atlantic seaboard are made as reliable and safe as modern methods can make them. By doing this we shall be encouraging shipping to our ports, and by bringing additional ships we shall be bringing with them the goods of the world."

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A plan, profile and book of reference of the said branch was deposited in the Land Registry Office at Victoria on Monday, the 1st day of February, 1909.

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DETAILS OF ADATO WRECK

CHIEF ENGINEER WILSON
ARRIVES ON TANGO MARU

Indians of Crew Fought for
Position in Life
Boats.

Chief Engineer D. Wilson, of the steamer Adato of the Bank line, which was wrecked on Vries Island, on the Japanese coast, yesterday arrived from Yokohama this morning on the Japanese liner Tango Maru. He was particularly enthusiastic over the way in which the shipwrecked passengers were treated by the Japanese who did everything in their power to help them, giving the best they had and working with the greatest energy to aid them in the time of their misfortune. Mr. Wilson is a friend of Mr. Rennie, of the B. C. Salvage Company, to whom he made a flying visit this morning while the steamer was in dock. His account is as follows:

"The Adato left Yokohama on January 15th in the afternoon and all went well until after dark, when a heavy rain storm came up. At 10 o'clock the ship was going at full speed when a terrific shock was experienced, followed immediately by a heavy lurch to starboard. Everything was confusion for a few seconds, but before the officers could do anything the construction of the crew made a rush for the boats and fought for places before they were swinging in the debris and refused to leave their seats until forced to do so.

"Meanwhile the ship was lurching very heavily, making it dangerous and difficult to get the boats out. When

less it was the same current that was responsible for the wreck.

When the Tango Maru passed a Yokohama salvage company was at work removing the cargo, and it was found that most of it could be taken out and that although damaged it was still very valuable, both the flour and cotton goods.

After the wreck a fire broke out in number 3 hold, and when the salvage men went aboard they had to put a hose into the vessel before they could commence operations.

TANGO MARU ARRIVES
FROM THE ORIENT

Further Particulars of Beach-
ing of Craigvar at
Mucoran.

The Nippon Yusen Kaisha, steamer Tango Maru, the finest boat of the line, arrived this morning from Yokohama. The cargo brought by the steamer was expected to have had a rough trip, but the contrary was the case. While the barometer went down to 28.2, and there were heavy squalls, there was no wind after the first three days, and a fast passage was made.

The steamer brought 42 passengers in all, of whom six Japanese landed here, two being men returning from Japan, one child with them, a woman joining her husband as well as two merchants.

The saloon passengers included D. Wilson, the engineer on the wrecked steamer Adato; E. Wagner and F. H. Doolittle, merchants, returning to the United States; K. Hayashi, a new vice consul for Seattle, and T. Takekawa, the director of the Japanese exhibit at the Alaska-Yukon fair, who is going to Seattle to erect a pavilion for some of the Japanese merchants, the government of Japan having decided to take no official action. There were also three other Japanese—two merchants and one student.

The Tango Maru brought 2,800 tons

ST. DENIS HERE FROM SAN DIEGO

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Freight and Passengers From
San Francisco—Bad
Weather on Trip.

Along the waterfront this morning great interest was taken in the arrival of the fine little freight and passenger steamer St. Denis, which came up from San Diego via San Francisco to take the place of the steamer Venture on the run between northern British Columbia, ports and Victoria. She was chartered recently by the Boscowitz Company on a time charter, and will go into commission next week, when she will take the place of the Vadso, Captain Johnson, Chief Engineer Clarence Arthur, and chief steward William Dyson went to San Diego to bring her, and John Harnley also made the round trip. They called at San Francisco, from which port they brought 300 tons of salt and a dozen passengers arriving at noon to-day. The captain says that she behaved splendidly on the trip north. When without cargo between San Diego and San Francisco a gale was encountered, yet she rode through it without difficulty, and then again after leaving "Prisco" very bad weather was encountered. The chief steward says that for his best steaming twenty years and he was never before out in such a gale. He doubts if the Venture could have weathered it.

The St. Denis is finely fitted, her cabin being commodious and airy. Her first class accommodation is aft, where are the dining and staterooms. Amidships special accommodation for ladies with three two-bunk rooms and a fine sitting room with large settees. The second class and steering accommodation is forward. In all the vessel can carry comfortably 24 first class passengers, 10 second, and 75 steerage. She is also able to take 400 tons of cargo so that she will prove an invaluable addition to the local coasters.

The steamer is exactly the same size as the Tees, is well found, and looks much more handsome than many of the other craft plying into this port. Many complimentary remarks were heard concerning her appearance as she steamed into the harbor to her mooring place at Porter's wharf.

NOTICES TO MARINERS.

The following notices to mariners have been issued by the department of marine and fisheries:

The buoys described in notice to mariners Nos. 53 of 1890 and 42 of 1896 as established in Somass river, at the head of Alberni canal on the west coast of Vancouver Island, have not been maintained for many years past.

The buoys in Nanaimo harbor and Departure bay bear numbers, but as these are not in consecutive order, and two have been placed since numbers were given, they will be renumbered without further notice, the next time they are lifted for cleaning.

The wooden can buoy established in 1887 at the mouth of Qualicum river, off the east coast of Vancouver Island, as described in notice to mariners No. 31 of 1882 has not been maintained for some years past, and will not be re-established.

A day beacon was established in 1904 by the government of Canada on the north tangent of Camp point, Johnstone Strait, east coast of Vancouver Island, to mark the point, which rounds very gradually, and also to indicate the location of Ripple shoal, the shallowest part of which lies N. 35 degrees E. 7 1/2 cables from the beacon. Lat. N. 50 deg. 22 min., 45 sec.; long. W. 125 deg. 49 min., 23 sec. The beacon is a wooden slatwork pyramid surmounted by a drum, the whole painted white. It is 30 feet high.

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SHIPPING REPORT

Tatoosh, Feb. 15, 8 a.m.—Light rain; wind S.W., 52 miles; bar., 29.66; temp., 47.

Estevan, Feb. 15, 8 a.m.—Stormy; south gale; bar., 29.57; temp., 46. Sea rough.

Pachena, Feb. 15, 8 a.m.—Part cloudy; fresh south wind; bar., 29.53; temp., 44. Sea rough. Ties passed Banfield about 7 o'clock.

Cape Lazo, Feb. 15, 8 a.m.—Clear; S.E. wind; bar., 29.40; temp., 40. Sea moderate.

Point Grey, Feb. 15, 8 a.m.—Cloudy; calm; bar., 29.46; temp., 42.

Cape Lazo, Feb. 15, noon.—Calm; wind S.E.; bar., 29.62; temp., 50. Sea moderate.

Point Grey, Feb. 15, noon.—Part cloudy; light westerly breeze; bar., 29.66; temp., 52. Passed out C. P. R. transfer in tow of the Nanosau at 10:30; steamer Princess Royal at 10:40; steamer Belfast at 8:45; Princess Royal at 8:50; Camosun at 9:30; Joan at 9:25, and Tatoosh, Feb. 15, noon.—Light rain; wind S.W., 26 miles; bar., 29.82; temp., 47.

Estevan, Feb. 15, noon.—Clear; strong S.E. wind; bar., 29.71; temp., 47. Sea rough.

Pachena, Feb. 15, noon.—Cloudy; showers; wind S.W.; bar., 29.70; temp., 46. Sea rough; steamer Ties passed down at 9 a.m.

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SHIPPING GUIDE.

OCEAN STEAMSHIPS
From the Orient.

Vessel.	From.	Due.
Empress of China	From Australia.	March 6
Makura	From Mexico.	March 10
Lonsdale	From Liverpool.	Feb. 23
Keemun	From Havre.	Feb. 23
Amiral Duperré	From Havre.	Feb. 25

TO SAIL.
For the Orient.

Vessel.	To.	Due.
Empress of Japan	For Australia.	Feb. 24
Moano	For Mexico.	Feb. 25
Lonsdale	For Liverpool.	March 1
Erna	For Liverpool.	March 4

SAILING VESSELS
TO ARRIVE.

Name.	From.	Due.
Proctor	Callao.	Royal Roads
David Evans	Callao.	Vancouver

COASTWISE STEAMERS
TO ARRIVE.

Vessel.	From.	Due.
Queen	From Skagway.	Feb. 19
Princess May	From Northern B. C. Ports.	Feb. 19
Queen City	From Northern B. C. Ports.	Feb. 21
St. Denis	From West Coast.	Feb. 21
Princess Beatrice	From West Coast.	Feb. 23
Tees	From West Coast.	Feb. 23

TO SAIL.
For San Francisco.

Vessel.	To.	Due.
Santa Rosa	For Skagway.	Feb. 19
Princess May	For Northern B. C. Ports.	Feb. 22
Queen City	For Northern B. C. Ports.	Feb. 22
Princess Beatrice	For West Coast.	March 1
Tees	For West Coast.	Feb. 29

FERRY SERVICE
Seattle and Vancouver.

Princess Charlotte leaves here at 12:30 a. m., arrives at Vancouver at 7 a. m.; leaves Vancouver at 1 p. m., arrives here at 7 p. m.

Princess Victoria leaves Victoria at 2 p. m., arrives at Vancouver at 7 p. m.; leaves Vancouver at 10 p. m., arrives at Seattle at 10 p. m.; leaves Seattle at 10 p. m., arrives at Victoria at 1 p. m.; leaves Victoria at 1 p. m., arrives at Seattle at 1 p. m.; leaves Seattle at 1 p. m., arrives at Victoria at 1 p. m.

Princess Royal leaves Victoria at 3:30 p. m., arrives at Seattle at 9 p. m., leaves Seattle at 9 p. m., arrives at Vancouver at 9 p. m.; leaves Vancouver at 9 p. m., arrives at Seattle at 9 p. m.; leaves Seattle at 9 p. m., arrives at Victoria at 9 p. m.

S.S. Whatcom sails daily except Thursday for Seattle at 8 p. m.; arrives daily except Thursday from Seattle at 2:30 p. m.

TIDE TABLE.

Victoria, B. C., February, 1909.

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The time used in Pacific Standard, for the 12th Meridian west, is counted from 0 to 24 hours, from midnight to midnight. The figures of height serve to distinguish high water from low water. The height is in feet and tenths of a foot, above the average level of the lowest low water in each month of the year. This level is half a foot lower than the datum to which the soundings on the Admiralty chart of Victoria harbor are reduced.

Esquimalt (at the dry dock).—From observations during six months in 1908, compared with simultaneous observations at Victoria: Add to the time of tide at Victoria: For high water 10 m. For low water 10 m.

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PACIFIC STEAMSHIP SAILINGS

To Australia	To the Orient		
Moano	Feb. 26	Empress of Japan	Feb. 24
Makura	March 26	Empress of China	March 24
Aorangi	April 2	Monteagle	April 6
Marama	May 21	Empress of India	April 21
Makura	June 18	Empress of Japan	May 12

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PREDICTS INCREASED OUTPUT OF GOLD

**F. T. Congdon, M. P., Tells of
Work Under Way in the
Yukon.**

Fred T. Congdon, M. P., was in Toronto a few days ago on his way to Ottawa.

Great interest is being taken at present, said Mr. Congdon, in the great Guggenheim ditch. This is a gigantic enterprise, costing from \$5,000,000 to \$10,000,000. The builders are the shareholders of the famous Yukon Gold Company. The stock of the company is owned largely by the Guggenheims and J. Pierpont Morgan. The ditch is eighty-five miles long and has a flow of ten inches of water. It runs to within six miles of Dawson and four miles from Bonanza creek. By its means creek bottoms will be dredged and hillsides mined hydraulically. The cost of these operations will be 25 cents a yard, which is profitable. The same work, if done by a miner, would be prohibitive in expense. Miners make \$40 a day and their keep, and board costs from \$1.50 to \$2 a day.

Speaking of the expense of living, Mr. Congdon said that their troublesome problem was the cost of transportation. For instance, hay costs \$80 a ton, while the charge for \$5 for shipping shows where the chief outlay lies.

A large undertaking is now on foot at Dome, 23 miles from Dawson. At the 400-foot level a tunnel will be driven into the mountain, for Dome is an elevation of land from which all the well-known creeks in that country flow. The tunnel will have to run 100 feet to strike the gold quartz lead. It is the belief of those promoting the work that the interior of this elevation is full of gold quartz. If this conjecture proves true, it will be the richest gold mine in the world. Traces of the lead can be followed for 15 miles, it is claimed. Mr. Congdon is not sanguine over the prospect, however.

The gold output for the past year has been largely restricted, owing to the building of the great ditch already referred to. This year will see a very large increase. It will require 40 years to extract the gold from 40-mile creek and its tributaries. In fact, the mineral wealth, both in gold and copper, is almost beyond human comprehension. The climate of this region is delightful. The intense cold of winter being very pleasant when one becomes accustomed. The rest of the year is as charming as one could wish. The soil is deep and exceedingly fertile. Many vegetables and cereals are grown, and ripen before frost sets in. The country will never be an agricultural one, but agriculture will be rather an adjunct to mining.

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A notable lecture on "The Mysteries of Metals" was delivered recently by Professor Arnold, of Sheffield University, before the Royal Institute of Great Britain in London.

Speaking on facts within his own knowledge the professor foreshadowed marvellous developments in the steel and iron industries.

He said he was strongly of opinion that in a very short time the best high-speed steel would be a back number. It was probable that a year hence there would be on the market British steel with a quadruple cutting power of any now known to metallurgy.

He declared with regard to Mr. Carnegie's prophecy as to the decadence of British steel metallurgy that this existed only in the imagination of that gentleman. So far as quality was concerned Britain was still first in the race for supremacy.

It was true geologically that in a short time the coal and iron supplies of the world would be exhausted. The age, since the origin of the iron age, since the crust of the earth contained an average of 15 per cent. alumina.

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THE EDITOR - DEPOSIT, N. Y.

Social and Personal

Hedley Dart, of Golden, is a visitor in town.

Frank Nasse, of St. Louis, is a new-comer in town.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Dickie, of Duncan, are in town.

Dr. and Mrs. Tunstall, of Vancouver, are guests in town.

Charles A. Fraser, of Grand Forks, is visiting the city.

Mr. Milligan, of Otter Point, is spending a few days in town.

Mrs. H. J. Butterfield, of Chicago, is the guest of friends in town.

The Misses Butchart were the hostesses of a very jolly dance last night.

Miss Mary Woodward, of Butte, Montana, is a guest at the Dominion hotel.

Captain and Mrs. Olive Phillips Wolley are guests at Glanville lodge, Vancouver.

J. H. Smith, ex-mayor of Regina, and Mrs. Smith, who have been spending a fortnight here, left to-day for Seattle.

The employees of Challoner & Mitchell's jewelry store intend holding a social at the Dominion hotel.

William Wallace Hall.

Miss Muriel Green, who has been for some time the guest of Mrs. H. W. Wilders, will leave to-morrow for her home in San Jose, Cal.

Dr. J. O. Orr, manager of the Toronto exhibition, which has won such a proud position among the fairs of Canada, is in the city. He has come to British Columbia for the purpose of interesting the local government in making a suitable exhibit of the province's production at the Toronto fair.

The Prince Rupert Empire has the following appreciative reference to the work as returning officer in Comox: "Atlas of A. J. Morris, formerly of this city. 'In this connection it may be said that Returning Officer Morris, who is a business man and not a politician, showed how an election could be pulled off on time, if only energy and business sense were used. His arrangements for posting the proclamations and distributing the ballot-boxes were perfect, for he hired men, not political henchmen, to do the work."

Mrs. Chas. Wilson and Mrs. Lubbe have arranged for a grand bridge and five hundred tournament to be held in institute hall on the evening of Tuesday, the 23rd inst. There will be fifty-five tables, and handsome first and second prizes will be given in each case. The hall will be decorated for the occasion with flags and point setta plants, while rugs and handsome piano lamps will make it look like a home. Refreshments will be served at the close of the tournament.

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Another case which mothers will read with interest occurred recently in Winnipeg. Mrs. C. Keep, of 599 Alexander avenue, Winnipeg, says: "A year ago my little girl contracted eczema of the scalp, and notwithstanding all I did the sores spread until the child's scalp was completely covered. I took her to hospital, but none of the doctors and ointments applied had any effect on the disease. By degrees the child's hair came out, until she was quite bald. We were at this stage strongly advised to try Zam-Buk, and did so. From first commencing with this wonderful balm the child got relief from the itching and pain. The sores were quickly banished, and in a remarkably short space of time the child was cured. The hair soon grew again, and is now quite long and in a healthy condition."

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CANADIAN CLUB REVIEWS YEAR

FLAG QUESTION COMES UP FOR DISCUSSION

Officers Elected for the Ensuing Term at Annual Gathering.

Officers of the Canadian Club were elected last night at the annual general meeting and arrangements for the coming year were discussed. The gathering was an enthusiastic one. It was decided to endeavor to have more frequent gatherings if a suitable meeting place can be secured during the coming year, and when outside speakers failed to have local speakers address the club.

The officers elected were mostly new men to the positions, but in the case of the president and vice-president the old guard was maintained. The following is the list: Honorary president, Hon. James Dunsinuir; president, Rev. Canon Beaudin; second vice-president, Dr. T. J. Jones; secretary-treasurer, Dr. J. H. Clark; literary secretary, J. E. Starr; committee, T. D. Veitch, Harold Robertson, L. H. Hardie, T. H. Slater, A. B. Fraser, Jr., W. J. Sutton, M. E. J. K. Worsfold; Auditors, James Forman and Hilton Keith.

Votes of thanks were accorded the retiring officers who were complimented on the work done during the past year.

There was a good attendance when the meeting was called to order by the retiring president, Judge Lampman. The secretary, Frank I. Clark, then read his report, which showed that there were now 34 members, a gain of 33 over the year before. The record was given of the persons entertained during the year. Referring to what had been accomplished, the report says: "The committee appointed in 1907 to take action towards securing the use of a British uniform by the city police force were successful in their efforts, and we are pleased to inform you that the police of Victoria are now equipped with the neat and serviceable pattern of uniform worn by the police of Great Britain and the eastern provinces of Canada."

In answer to the appeal of the National Battlefields commission your executive placed subscription lists which were placed in Hibben & Co.'s and the Victoria Bank and Stationery Co.'s stores. The amount subscribed by individual members was supplemented by \$100 voted by the club, and the total sum, \$125, was duly forwarded to the treasurer of the Quebec Battlefields Association at Ottawa.

Your executive have had considerable difficulty in securing a suitable room in which to hold the luncheons. The Poodle Dog and the Balmoral dining rooms were found to be too small, and in the case of the latter, the management found it impossible to accommodate the club without inconveniencing the regular patrons of the hotel. The Driad has ample room but will not provide luncheons for less than 75c per plate. It has been suggested that there is a good opening in Victoria for a centrally located hall with a kitchen and dining room in connection which would be available for public meetings, concerts, lectures, dances and other entertainments and we recommend that our successors should take this matter into consideration and endeavor to enlist capital in such a scheme.

It is our duty to record the death of one of our members, Capt. J. G. Cox, who took an active interest in the club, and whose loss was keenly felt by his fellow members as well as by citizens of Victoria generally.

We cannot close this report without expressing our thanks and appreciation of many acts of courtesy extended to the club by sister clubs in other parts of the Dominion.

The financial statement for the year ending February 4, 1909, showed a satisfactory amount to the credit of the club. It was as follows:

Receipts.

Cash balance from last year

Paid for lunches

Fields association (supplementing the members' personal subscriptions)

Printing and stationery

Honorarium to secretary

Sundries

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There was some difference of opinion as to which flag they should fly—the Union Jack or the Canadian flag. Personally he favored the latter.

This brought Rev. Canon Beaudin to his feet to explain that in reality Canada had no flag, as the red ensign had no business to be used, and meant nothing. It was simply the flag of the mercantile marine, and no one else had any right to be flying it. Another objection to the so-called Canadian flag was the fact that the coat of arms of British Columbia was omitted from it. He thought something might be done in the way of preparing a Canadian flag that they could use. It had been suggested that the Union Jack with the coat of arms in the centre would be a suitable design. Until such a suitable flag was chosen he preferred the Union Jack.

Mr. McCurdy thought this would be a very suitable subject for the club to take up.

The president said the executive would like to have had more frequent meetings of the club, but there had been the difficulty of a meeting place. Unless the members were prepared to pay the extra price he could not at present see any way out of the difficulty.

A letter from the Imperial Service Club was read asking the members of the club to attend a meeting in the theatre on Paardeberg day.

It was decided, on motion of B. C. Mess, seconded by A. W. McCurdy, that the accounts of the club in future be made up to the end of the year.

Judge Lampman then retired from the chair, and the new president, A. E. McPhillips, took his place. The latter acknowledged the compliment that had been paid him in electing him to the position. He said he was a Canadian by birth, but he did not consider himself any better Canadian than that account than those British subjects who had made Canada their adopted home.

Canon Beaudin thanked the club for electing him to the position of first vice-president, saying that while he was not born in Canada he had spent half his life in Canada.

The president announced that R. A. Jackson had presented the club with a picture of the heroes of Waterloo. It was a valuable steel engraving, and had been framed and hung temporarily in the legislative buildings across the bay. The thanks of the club were tendered him.

The honorarium of \$100 was again voted to the secretary, Frank I. Clark, for the coming year.

It was suggested by H. D. Helmcken that some sort of a Paardeberg celebration should be again held this year, but the matter was left with the new executive to use their best judgment, especially as it was so difficult to obtain a suitable banqueting hall.

The following new members were elected: T. H. Leeming, E. Graham Williams, James Virtue, Harry Hemmings and Dr. G. A. B. Hall.

Mr. McNeill moved that the executive take up the matter of a new flag for Canada, a gentleman, whom he would not at present name, was providing a flag pole to stand in front of the Victoria college. No definite action was taken on the matter of the new flag.

A long discussion then took place as to the manner in which officers should be nominated, W. J. Hanna proving an able champion of the open nomination system. Objection was taken, however, to the constitution being amended except in the regular way, so notice of motion was given to have the section of the constitution providing for a nominating committee struck out of the constitution. The meeting then adjourned.

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The annual masquerade ball given in Assembly hall, by the Fraternal Order of Eagles last night, was a very delightful and brilliant affair.

The hall was decorated with the Eagle's colors, white and blue, supplemented by numerous flags, separating the dancing hall from the supper room. At the back of the latter, two large American flags were crossed, and quantities of Chinese lanterns aided in carrying out an effective color scheme.

An excellent programme of dance music was furnished by Bentley's orchestra, all the members of which were danced most enthusiastically by the gay crowd present. The floor com-

petitions and diversions were most amusing in looking after the enjoyment of their guests. After the awarding of the prizes, refreshments were served in a most satisfactory manner.

The gallery and sides of the hall were crowded with spectators to view the grand opening march, which from a picturesque standpoint was one of the best ever seen in Victoria. Marie Stuart, in a very beautiful court costume of purple velvet and white, went by with Bonnie Prince Charlie; then came a Zulu in full native costume, including rings in ears and nose, and giving voice to his war cry. Next a gaily costumed Prince Charming, with Rosalind, marched by, and following close at their heels were a Monk and Irish Colleen. Alone in his glory marched the golden American Eagle, clad from head to foot in golden feathers. Then a white-gowned, night-capped woman, with a lantern in one hand and a broom in the other, pursued a fruitless search for a husband. Next came a Mexican troubadour in a magnificent suit of brown velvet, sombrero hat, and mandolin slung over his shoulder; with him was a Mexican lady, in a rich and very beautiful costume of blue and silver, with strands of pearls. A couple of dancing Highlanders followed, and then a huge Totem pole, manipulated by a man inside, wended its way with the throng. Next came a flour and feed walking advertisement, and hanging on his arm a sprightly cow-boy girl. Then a clown and a dancing girl, a sailor boy and a house maid, a nurse maid wheeling a large and precocious infant in a carriage, and feeding it in most approved fashion when it cried, as it frequently did, for more beer. Tolly and an American bugler wended their gay way, chaffing with Topsey and a com. The Daughter of the Regiment chatted with a Norseman in a suit of mail. Miss Butterfly exchanged remarks with a jockey, and a woman who "took in" cleaning by the day piled her trade vigorously with scrubbing brush and floor cloth. In a corner of the hall a laundress hung out her washing to dry, and the latest invention in the way of air ships advised all to join the Eagles and live high. Altogether it was a most amusing scene, and the task of awarding prizes was an exceedingly difficult one. The final decisions were as follows:

Tombo-la-prize—Mrs. N. MacDonald, drop-head white sewing machine.

Finest costumed lady (wearing best evening dress)—Mrs. F. Bellingley, set of furs; 2nd, Mrs. J. MacDonald, handsome table cover.

Best evening dress, gentleman—C. Benson, large range.

Best national character, lady—Mrs. L. A. Fletcher, McKinley rocker.

Best original character, gentleman (representing trade or profession)—C. Benson, one year's subscription to Daily Colonist.

Best character, representing Fraternal Order of Eagles, lady—Mrs. P. Shandley, silver tea set; best gentleman, V. Rolfe, gramophone.

Best original character, stock in trade, lady—Mrs. R. Archment, lady's arm chair; gentleman, Mr. J. Wachter, Morris chair.

Best sustained character, lady—Mrs. M. Landray, rocker; gentleman, T. Fisher, one year's subscription to Daily Times.

Most comical character, lady—Miss Evelyn Gattina, dinner set; gentleman, George Rudd, mahogany writing table.

Many costumes not winning prizes are well worthy of note. A few are as follows: Mrs. John McLeish, Highland lassie; Jockey, W. Moir; Norseman, in suit of mail, T. Moir; Highlander, John Grant; baby girl, Miss Katie Herberger; flower girl, Mrs. Le Lewis; butterfly, Miss Harrison; cigar girl, Miss Annie Wilson; daughter of regiment, Mrs. Doncaster; very rich and effective Turkish costume, Mrs. Frederick; U. S. trooper, E. J. Nelligan; Spanish girl, Mrs. R. Tripp; Polly, in purple and silver, Miss Mac-Toske; Napoleon, W. M. Brayshaw; Night, Miss Angus; Time, a yellow dress with pictures of clocks; Mrs. Madden; Chauffeur, Mrs. H. Shandley; Queen of Hearts, Mrs. Keown; Dolly Varden, Mrs. Rose; Spanish dancer, Mrs. Turner; French army maid, Mrs. Coulter; bugler, Mr. Kelly; snow maiden, Mrs. Newsome; cowboy girl, Miss Gouge; Swan Soap advertisement, blue dress, with white lettering, Miss Norma Seary; Queen Victoria, Mrs. Bagshaw; Mary Queen of Scots, Miss MacDonald; Mexican troubadour, Mr. Stokes; Chinaman, T. Alan; Fra Diavolo, T. A. Whistler.

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NOTICE.

In the Matter of the Estate of Frederick George White, deceased. Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the Trustee and Executors Act, that all creditors of the estate of the said deceased are required, on or before the 19th day of March, A. D. 1938, to send particulars of their claims, duly verified, to the undersigned, one of the executors of the said estate, and all persons indebted to the said estate are required to pay such indebtedness to the undersigned forthwith.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 5th day of February, A. D. 1938.

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30 ACRES—12 acres all cleared, rich black loam, southern slope, a bargain at \$4,000.

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\$500.

\$50 Cash and \$10 Monthly.

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Lot 5x110, Corner Lot, too.

\$800.

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NORTH SAANICH—25 acres, with large water frontage on Union Bay, all cleared and under cultivation, beautiful view, with subside, \$200 per acre.

CORDEVA BAY—20 acres, 7 acres in orchard, 6 rooms house, with frontage on the Bay, \$3,000.

FULFORD HARBOR—5 acres, with 200 yards water frontage, close to wharf, school, and dwelling, 2 crocks of running water, \$1,000, terms.

GORDON HEAD—10 acres, all cultivated and planted in fruit, majority of the trees from 4 to 6 years old, best varieties, 4 acres in strawberries, excellent view and close to the sea.

GLANFORD AVENUE—6 acres of bush land, with subside, \$200 per acre.

GALIANO ISLAND—10 acres, 1 acre cleared, 2 rooms house, 1 mile from wharf, good fruit land, \$1,000.

COWICHAN BAY—2 acres unimproved land with 4 rooms cottage, 1 acre sea frontage, 100 boat good with the place, \$1,800.

ROSS BAY—3 acres, with water frontage, also frontage on two roads, all under cultivation, \$1,500, terms.

GORDON HEAD—10 acres, 4 acres cleared, 600 fruit trees, 1 acre in strawberries, good spring water, beautiful view, \$2,000.

ELK LAKE—12 acres, half cultivated, small shack, little standing of the timber, \$1,800.

CEPAD HILL—25 acres, 2 acres cultivated, planted in fruit, excellent soil, and only 5 miles from town, \$125 per acre.

GALFORD HARBOR—17 acres, 2 acres cleared, several acres slashed, young orchard in full bearing, 2 running creeks, 4 rooms house, including horse, buggy and light wagon, \$2,000.

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VICTORIA ARM—Large water frontage lot running back to main road, planted in fruit, etc., \$1,000.

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22 BASTION STREET, VICTORIA.

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90 ACRES—Sooke District, just inside Sooke Harbor.

FINE SEA FRONTAGE—At Esquimalt, about three acres, cheap.

TWO LOTS—On Victoria harbor, with large wharf and sheds and 2 large houses, in good condition, on easy terms.

THREE LOTS—On Yates street, with 10 stores, bringing in good rentals.

TO RENT—Large wharf, at foot of Yates street, rent \$10 per month.

4 ACRES—On Colquhoun river, Victoria District, cheap.

For further particulars apply to above address.

FOR SALE

NEW HOUSE, ready for occupation about March 1st; large reception hall with pressed brick open fireplace, paneled 5 feet with beamed ceiling, dining room also has paneled walls and beamed ceiling, and large double bay window, with large bay window looking into kitchen and larder; drawing room has fire grate, and is finished in white enamel; servant's bedroom downstairs, four bedrooms upstairs, with cupboards, bathroom and linen closet. This house stands on a pretty well wooded lot, 1/2 acre, one minute from Oak Bay car.

For quick sale, a very moderate price is asked.

BEVAN BROS. & CO., Ltd.

62 FORT STREET.

ADVERTISE IN THE TIMES

ESTIMATES ARE BEFORE HOUSE

TOTAL VOTE ASKED IS
CLOSE ON \$7,000,000

Public Works Are Being Given
a Generous Share of
the Money.

Legislature Press-Gallery, Feb. 17.

The estimates for the fiscal year which commences on April 1st next were brought down this afternoon. It is impossible to make any satisfactory comparison of either revenue or expenditure, as the present fiscal year, which began on July 1st last, only contains nine months.

In addition to expenditure for 1908-10 estimated at \$5,555,798, there are supplementary estimates of \$1,000,000 for the current fiscal year and \$1,500,000 for the fiscal year ending on March 31st, 1909. The total amount to be voted is \$8,055,798. The main estimates passed last session and the supplementaries brought down today the nine months' expenditure amounts to \$4,450,000, or at the rate of about \$5,400,000 a year, although that is to some extent a rough-and-ready estimate, as it is based on a comparative basis.

The estimate of the receipts for the coming fiscal year amounts to \$5,945,000, as compared with an estimated revenue for the nine months of the present fiscal year of \$3,143,276.66, and some \$31,500 less than the actual revenue for the year 1907-8. Of this \$5,945,000 is Dominion government subsidy, \$2,000,000 as the province's share of the Chinese head tax, \$200,000 from revenue tax, \$275,000 from real property tax, \$150,000 from personal property tax, \$120,000 from income tax, \$200,000 from land taxes, \$140,000 coal tax and royalty and \$175,000 from registry fees.

The estimated expenditure for the coming year is \$5,615,798.11, as compared with \$3,002,311.54 for the nine months of the year ending on December 31st, which must be added \$40,000 for the payment of interest on Shuswap and Okanagan, Nakusp and Shocan and Victoria and Sidney Railway bonds; or a total estimated expenditure of \$5,655,798.11. For these railway subsidies the vote last year was \$34,000.

The expenditure by services is estimated as follows:

Service	Amount
Public debt	\$4,520,324
Civil government (salaries)	367,140
Administration of justice (salaries)	153,985
Public institutions (salaries)	65,620
Hospitals and charities	22,000
Administration of justice (other than salaries)	172,650
Education	614,240
Transport	22,000
Revenue services	40,000
Public works	606,475
Government house	5,000
Roads, streets, bridges and wharves	1,482,585
Subsidies to steamboats, ferries and bridges	16,440
Surveys and improvement of lands	500,000
Contingencies	100,000
Miscellaneous	284,240
Total	\$5,615,798.11

Among the civil government votes are \$1,500 for the lieutenant-governor's office, \$4,500 for the premier's office, \$12,140 for the provincial secretary's department, \$24,620 for department of mines, \$26,720 for finance and agriculture department (which includes salaries for two new officials, a live stock commissioner and a horticulturist and assistant inspector, each at \$1,500), \$16,220 for the lands department, \$34,600 for the public works department, \$12,000 for the attorney-general's department, \$50,400 for the land registry offices (which includes staff for an office at Prince Rupert—registrar at \$2,100, chief clerk at \$1,620 and clerk at \$1,200), \$3,000 for the legislative library.

The education vote includes \$57,950 per capita grant, and \$33,450 for the free text book branch. Provision is made for the salaries of a principal and four teachers at Prince Rupert, from \$1,200 down to \$720.

For repairs to the parliament buildings, \$3,000 is to be voted and \$7,000 for the improvement of the government grounds. A quarter million is set aside for a new court house at Vancouver, \$121,500 for a new hospital for the insane, besides \$5,000 for repairs to the old building, \$10,000 for a land and registry office at Prince Rupert, and \$25,000 for rebuilding Fernie court house.

For roads, streets, bridges and wharves throughout the province there is a total vote of \$1,482,585. In the allotment of this the Liberal constituencies fare much better than for many years, leading, as was stated yesterday, to the surmise that an election is pending. The votes for them are: Alberni, \$28,000; Cariboo, \$24,500, in addition to \$20,500 for sections 5 and 6 of the Cariboo main road; Chilliwack, \$19,500; Cranbrook, \$25,000; Delta, \$15,500; Esquimalt, \$25,000; Greenwood, \$10,500; Lillooet, \$15,000, besides \$20,000 for sections 3 and 4 of the Cariboo main road and \$2,000 for the Lillooet-Lytton road; Skeena, \$75,000; Yale, \$25,000. For the Vancouver Island trunk road there is \$35,000, for roads in South Vancouver and Point Grey \$75,000, for a bridge over the Fraser river in Lillooet constituency a vote of \$40,000; for Cowichan district, \$11,500; Comox, \$23,000; the Islands, \$13,000; Nanaimo, \$8,000; Newcastle, \$13,000; for bridges generally \$225,000, and for wharves generally \$100,000.

For surveys and improvement of lands \$500,000 is voted, of which \$230,000 is for surveys generally, \$200,000 for roads, surveys, etc., in Prince Rupert \$20,000 and \$25,000 for clearing land at Prince Rupert.

In the miscellaneous vote are \$20,000 for game protection, \$20,000 for logging, \$7,000 for farmers' institutes,

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\$10,000 for agricultural associations, \$2,000 for fruit growers' associations and \$5,000 for fruit exhibitions; \$500 for the dairymen's associations, \$250 for the stockmen's, \$1,000 for Vancouver "show towns" prizes in the breeders' classes, \$3,000 to the B. C. Agricultural Association in aid of the exhibition and \$7,000 towards cost of new building; \$700 to aid poultry shows, \$3,000 to the Royal Agricultural and Industrial Society, \$37,000 for forest protection and \$5,000 for a commission to investigate timber and forestry matters; \$5,000 for the board of investigation under the Water Act; \$25,000 for salary increases to the civil service. Superannuation takes \$7,140 and the agent-general's office \$15,000.

The supplementaries for the current year contain \$91,047.61 for the redemption of the dyking debentures, \$140,000 for surveys and \$164,700 for grants and wages and \$25,000 for school buildings. The supplementaries for 1907-8 contain \$10,000 for the province's grant towards the Quebec tercentenary.

GOOD PROGRESS MADE ON STREET WORK

Force of Men at Prince Rupert Is Being Increased.

(Special Correspondence.) Prince Rupert, Feb. 17.—Good progress is being made with the street planking by contractor Sol Cameron and his force of over 150 men. Mud sills are now laid along First and Third avenues, east and west of McBride street, formerly called Main; chutes have been built at the foot of McBride street for landing the heavy planking lumber, which is expected to arrive within a few days. Eight cuts have been opened up for street grading; and the treaties for a bridge across Hays creek in the eastern end is well advanced. Boarding houses and bunks for the men have been erected and the force is being increased, almost daily.

J. H. Rogers, of Seattle, formerly traffic manager of the White Pass & Yukon route, has arrived, and will make his home in Prince Rupert. It is reported Mr. Rogers will look after the interests of the Union Pacific Steamship Company in this district, and will also represent the Alaska Pacific Express, with which he was connected while a resident of Dawson, Y. T.

DIES IN ACT OF PRAYING.

Chatham, N. B., Feb. 15.—James Mills, 59 years old, was stricken with heart failure while kneeling in prayer at his bedside. A neighbor found him dead in that position yesterday.

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Have Not Been Seen Since They Left Porchen Island in Small Boat.

(Special Correspondence.) Prince Rupert, Feb. 17.—There now seems to be but little doubt that the three settlers, Cameron, Dobbie and Yentoff, who sailed from Porcher Island in a small boat on the 24th and have since been missing, were caught in a storm and met a watery grave.

The provincial police with their gasoline patrol launch have made a diligent search of the coast line, and all the islands in the vicinity, without finding any trace of the missing men. Axel Hansen, the light-tender, reports a

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BUDGET SPEECH

MADE YESTERDAY

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which a few years ago were looked upon as practically worthless except some for grazing and some for minerals. The adaptability of the dry belt must be pointed out as the foremost advantage which the province offers to settlers and an important factor in its future prosperity. Thousands of acres which formerly grew nothing but bunch grass and sage brush, are to-day laid out in flourishing orchards. The greater part of the fruit grown in 1908 went to the prairie provinces, a considerable quantity to Great Britain, Australia and New Zealand, and the balance locally. No stronger argument in favor of British Columbia as a field for fruit growing can be found than the fact that to supply the home market 1,000 tons of Oregon and Washington apples were imported last year. Our growers secured better prices outside and the apples imported were purchased for much less—in some cases a half lower—than those prevailing here.

Foremost as an Apple Country.

The success of our fruit in Great Britain for several years was more than maintained in 1908, at every exhibit made the highest awards being taken, by the province as a whole, by associations and by individuals. Lectures on British Columbia, with animated pictures, were given at many horticultural shows and attracted large and interested audiences, and their value is shown by the constant receipt of requests for information from well-to-do people. But in a sense this triumph fell short by the remarkable success achieved at Spokane, where our apples, in competition with the Pacific coast states, won thirteen firsts and one second out of fourteen entries. A silver cup, two medals and valuable cash prizes were won by P. R. DeHart, of Kelowna, and two British Columbia ladies, Mrs. J. Smith, of Spence's Bridge, and Mrs. E. Lowe, of Keremeos, also won prizes. The winning of these is a magnificent tribute to the superior qualities of British Columbia fruit, qualities that cannot possibly be questioned by the most exacting critics, and establishes this province among the premier apple-growing countries of the world.

During the year a number of fruit trees were planted in what we have been calling the northern interior but is really central British Columbia—for one must travel far beyond the Skeena before he reaches our northern limits. In Bulkley valley apple and other fruits are doing well in their third and fourth years, at Hazelton and other points on the Skeena, between 54 and 55 degrees north, the production of fruit has passed the experimental stage, and a member of the horticultural board who visited the Bulkley valley, pronounced it well adapted to fruit growing, so we may expect to find central British Columbia soon rivaling the southern districts in the excellence of its orchards. Some pessimists worry themselves over the fate awaiting fruit growers when the day of over-production dawns, but that day is far distant. I have mentioned the inadequacy of our orchards to meet the demand, and you will recognize the fallacy of the contention when I tell you that barely ten per cent. of the fruit entering the prairie provinces goes from this province.

The Mineral Output.

The depression which followed close in the wake of the financial panic had a damaging effect upon the mining industry, so that the value of the production was reduced from \$25,882,560 in 1907, to \$24,829,252 in 1908, although the tonnage of ore mined and smelted was considerably greater than in former years, the increase in copper being over seven million pounds.

Lumber Trade Improving. With regard to the lumber industry, we are all aware that the short crop of 1907, coincident with the financial panic in the United States and over-production in logging and manufacture, brought on a period of dullness from which the industry is but now emerging. Contrary to all expectation the year was one of the most unsatisfactory in the history of the lumber business. The situation on the coast was relieved by the demand from abroad, but the mountain mills suffered considerable loss. The outlook for the coming spring and summer is very encouraging, and it is expected the splendid crops and rapid increase of settlement east of the mountains will speedily restore the industry to a satisfactory standing. The imposition of a duty on rough lumber imported from the United States would help our lumbermen materially and the advisability of amending the tariff in that respect is being strongly urged on the Dominion government. The demand in the United States for free Canadian lumber is persistent and if congress removes the duty it will lead many United States capitalists holding timber in the province to establish saw mills and factories on this side.

The figures of timber cut on provincial lands in 1908 show a total of 560,000 feet. The quantity cut on Dominion lands in the railway belt and on the E. & N. lands on Vancouver Island are not yet available, but assuming that they are up to the aver-

age the total cut will not equal that of 1907. At the close of that year there was estimated to be 170,000,000 feet of logs in the water and 100,000,000 in the woods, while at the end of 1908 the supply was only 70,000,000 feet. The log-scaling returns for 1908 show a total of 408,278,539 feet, more than one hundred million less than in 1907.

Preservation of Forests. The government has been criticised in some quarters for making the life of a timber licensee twenty-one years, it being argued this policy will have the effect of hastening the destruction of the forest. The government has endeavored to encourage loggers to cut only the big trees, and that in the interests of forest preservation the license should be made renewable for twice the period of perpetuity. The government is most desirous of perpetuating the forests and its earnest wish is to devise some plan which will accomplish that end. The question is a grave one, and it is the ambition of the government to inaugurate a system which will meet the requirements of the future as well as the present. I feel confident every member will consider it a privilege as well as a duty to assist the government, for the final adjustment of this question will be the most important item of legislation ever enacted by a British Columbia legislature.

The law must be so framed that existing lumber interests will be protected, while operating under regulations which will insure the preservation and perpetuation of our forest wealth. Forest preservation has become a world problem in which the future well-being of the whole human race is involved. It would be idle to assume that the government on this house can solve it offhand. The time is almost ripe, however, for the organization of a department of forestry, with trained officials who would guard the forests against waste and attend to the work of reforestation, and it is in this connection that a sum has been placed in the estimates for the expense of a commission to investigate the existing conditions.

The Fisheries. The big event of the year in the fishing industry was the very large catch of herrings, the importance of which may be grasped from the fact that 20,000 tons were caught at Nanaimo alone. The conservation of old country exports that the inshore fishing followed on this coast is bad in correct measures must be taken to encourage deep-sea fishing. The catch has increased from nine million pounds in 1906 to forty million pounds in 1908, and over \$800,000 added to the value of our fisheries output. Complaints are made that the regulations with regard to nets, etc., are being violated by the Japanese fishermen who, it is alleged, are driving the whites out of the business through their illegal practices. No doubt the grievance, if any exists, will be remedied upon proper representations to the Dominion fisheries officials.

The salmon pack, though 1908 was not a big year, totalled 542,225 cases as against 547,459 in 1907, a decrease made up for by the increase in the quantities of frozen, salt and pickled for export and the better prices obtained for the canned fish. If the traditions of the salmon fisheries are not astray 1909 will be a record year.

The halibut and whale fisheries have had a prosperous year though, owing to the fall in price for whale oil, the latter was not up to expectations. The announcement that the Dominion will provide additional cruisers to protect the halibut and other deep-sea fisheries is welcome news, as a rigid enforcement of the law will turn a large amount of money annually to Canada, which now helps to enrich our enterprising but aggressive neighbors. When we consider that in one year 25,000,000 pounds of halibut, a large percentage of which was caught in British Columbia waters, were landed at Seattle and 12,000,000 pounds at Vancouver, none will dispute the desirability of enforcing the law with as little loss of time as possible.

Trade in General. The revival in every department of industry is strongly reflected upon the affairs of British Columbia, so that with the march of events is rapid. New enterprises no longer hang fire for want of capital. The demands for lands of all sorts are more numerous than ever, promising a large increase in population and the settlement of many thousands of acres. Things are happening in our country's industrial life. Since this house was called together two things have transpired which mark a business epoch. On February 1st 8,000 bushels of Alberta wheat left Vancouver for Mexico, and on the 15th one of the steamers of the Chargeurs Reunis, a French company which has recently established a passenger and freight service between our ports and those of Great Britain and France, took from our shores 45,000 bushels of Alberta Red winter wheat. The importance and significance of these shipments it would be difficult to estimate, but when one considers that the land immediately tributary to every mile of railway in Alberta contributes 50,000 bushels of grain, which is now shipped to the Atlantic seaboard, it needs no great stretch of imagination to foresee the immense possibilities which the future holds for our shipping interests. The C. P. R. and the Chargeurs Reunis have quoted rates from points in Alberta to Liverpool which will ensure a great saving to the farmers on their wheat, and when proper inspection is established, that wheat will be landed in its purity in the old country. Settlers are pouring

into Alberta, in a few years her crops will reach gigantic figures, and new railways and new ships must be provided, and as the shortest route to the markets of the world is by way of British Columbia and the Pacific we may look for immense developments.

A Great Future. The shipping business has increased wonderfully on this coast in the last few years. From 2,739 vessels and a tonnage of 2,660,573 entering our ports in 1903 the figures have grown till in 1908 we had 5,518 vessels and a tonnage of 5,116,225, an increase of fifty per cent. The increase in the coasting trade was also remarkable, showing a growth of 2,708 vessels and 1,059,556 tons. What may we not anticipate when the Alberta-British Columbia—the "A. B. C." route is established.

For one ship employed now scores will be needed, as well as hundreds of locomotives and thousands of cars, and the shores of our cities will be built up with elevators. One does not need to be a prophet to see in a not distant future iron and steel works manufacturing the material for the new ships and locomotives and works in which these means of transport and the rails for our railways will be turned out. In British Columbia we have the raw material in abundance, and when the necessary arises capital will be forthcoming to exploit them.

Is there any limit to what we can prophesy for the future of British Columbia? When you think of our small population, the large output in value of our products, \$50,000,000, the rate at which we are growing can there be any limit? If we consider our responsibility to our own people, to the nation, to the world, and to the future, it is a waste of time to say that the day is not far off when British Columbia will be the brightest gem in the diadem of Canada. (Cheers.)

ORANGE LODGE ENDS SESSION

H. G. TAYLOR, VANCOUVER, ELECTED GRAND MASTER

Banquet in A. O. U. W. Hall Brings Proceedings to Close.

The nineteenth annual convention of the Provincial Grand Orange Lodge of British Columbia was brought to a conclusion yesterday afternoon in the A. O. U. W. hall with the election of officers and the selection of a meeting place for next year. The place chosen was Kamloops. Officers were elected as follows: Right Worshipful Grand Master, H. G. Taylor, Vancouver; Deputy Grand Master, Rev. R. J. McIntyre, Summerland; Assistant Grand Master, G. J. Grimason, Victoria; Grand Chaplain, Rev. Mr. Thorpe, Vernon; Grand Treasurer, E. J. Clarke, Vancouver; Grand Lecturer, R. G. Patterson, New Westminster; Director of Ceremonies, H. M. Abercrombie, Vancouver; Deputy Grand Secretary, W. T. Jago, Vancouver; Grand Auditor, R. Mitchell, Victoria; Grand Chaplain, Rev. A. J. Brace, Victoria; Dr. Reid, New Westminster; Merton Smith, Vancouver, and Newton Powell, Upper Country; Most Worshipful Deputy Grand Lecturer of British America, H. Macdonald, Victoria.

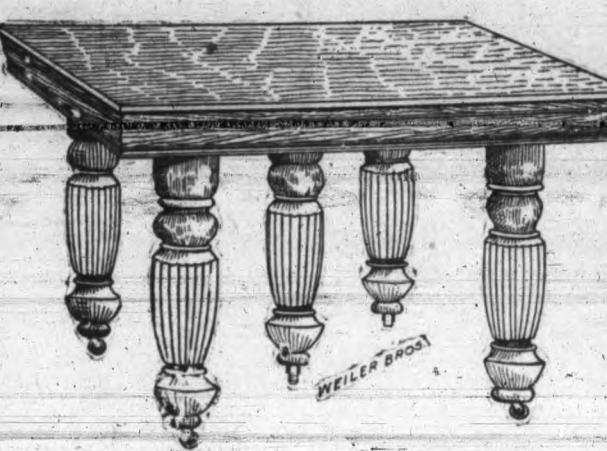
Several members were placed on the roll of honorary members of the Grand Lodge. The sum of \$100 was donated to the sanatorium at Tranquille.

Evening Banquet. The visiting Orangemen, who have been attending the Orange lodge convention here were last night the guests of the local lodges at a banquet held in the A. O. U. W. hall, which was well attended. D. G. McBro, Geo. Grimason occupied the chair, and had at his right Bro. H. G. Taylor, of Vancouver, the grand master; Rev. R. J. McIntyre and Bro. W. H. Brett, grand secretary; E. J. Clarke, grand treasurer; W. T. Jago, deputy grand secretary; R. Mitchell, grand auditor, and E. C. B. Bagnshaw, and upon his left hand, Bro. D. C. McLaren, past grand master; Dr. Thos. Jeffs, past grand master; E. Sherrill, past grand master, and J. W. Whiteley, grand organizer. The toast of the King proposed by the chairman was responded to with musical honors, and was followed by the toast of "The glorious, pious and immortal memory of King William III. Prince of Orange," which was drunk in silence.

The M. W. Grand Lodge of B. N. A., coupled with the name of Bro. John J. Dilworth of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, was the signal for calls on Mr. Dilworth, who in reply said: "I assure you of the pleasure I feel in being present in this beautiful city of Victoria. I am always pleased to meet the brethren and am sorry there are not more gatherings of this nature." He entered a plea for the attendance of the ladies at such gatherings. Time, he said, would not allow telling of the lodge's history in Manitoba, but he was the first Orangemen—that stepped on Manitoba soil. He referred to the late Bro. Scott, who was shot at the time of the first Red rebellion. The speaker said he also was sentenced to be shot, and with two others was thrown into jail with Scott. The citizens of Winnipeg have built a hall to Scott's memory. "They say Orangemen is all right back in Ireland," he continued, "but it is needed here also."

"I would rather have a band of Orangemen behind me than any others. I've had experience. We had six hundred men to go out and take Fort Garry, but only thirteen took up their arms and went to the front when called on. We were sold, and the man who sold us is now a resident of Victoria, but I won't mention any names. With a wish that the order would prosper and continue as in the past and a tribute to the progress made in the province this year the speaker concluded his address. W. G. McBro, H. G. Taylor, responding to the toast of the "Grand Lodge of B. N. A.," said the most prominent feature of the order was that it stood for equal rights to all and special privileges to none, one flag, one school system and one official language. He

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and the increase of the order this year, and was convinced that the same increase would be maintained this year. Many people were under a wrong impression as to the order, holding it was at war with the Roman Catholic church. This, however, was not the case for they had no quarrel with the church if it would keep its own place in the state. The order, however, would never be satisfied with less than the separation of church and state.

In response to the toast of "The Loyal Orange Association of Canada," Bro. J. W. Whiteley laid special emphasis on the fact that every member was a loyal and true subject of the King. Of the first contingent that went to South Africa, fifty-five per cent were either Orangemen or sons of Orangemen. Bro. John A. Macdonald was a member of the order. They stood for two principles, the open Bible and loyalty to the King and Empire. (Cheers). The guests then sang "Britannia Rules the Waves."

"The City of Victoria" was responded to by P. D. M. Bro. John Braden, who said he was proud of the honor conferred on the members by the mayor, who had given them the freedom of the city, which was an honor only given a few. He hoped the delegates would take back with them memories of a pleasant time here, and

thanked all on behalf of the citizens of Victoria. "The Sentinel" and Bro. Controller H. C. Hocken" was replied to by Bro. Rev. Mr. McIntyre, who said the paper in question had always done a splendid work for the good of the order and should be read by all. He was glad that some of the Canadian papers were now fearless in regard to printing the truth, and he hoped the Victoria press would never hesitate to print the truth.

"The Press" and "Our Hosts" were replied to by Mr. Lumsden and A. J. Brace, respectively. Songs were contributed during the evening by J. T. Evans, James Graham and W. T. Jago, and the proceedings ended with the National Anthem and cheers for the chairman.

The tables were waited on by Mesdames J. C. Jysop, Russell, Westcott, J. E. Musgrave, J. A. Scott, W. J. Bowden, N. J. Ledingham, R. L. Ledingham, R. Bailey and S. J. Deuki Miss Edith Howell and Miss Jean Hendry; Messrs. H. Godfrey, J. B. McCullum, Owen Linsdale, Jesse E. Stokes, Fred K. Harding, Albert Mason, Hugh Macdonald and A. J. Brace.

A master of science, lecturing at Manchester, proved that a poker, placed with one end on the fender, and the other leaning on a bar of the fire-grate, really does "draw" a fire.

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MILLS with insufficient storage capacity are forced to ship their flour before it is properly aged. Underaged flour requires expert handling in order to secure even fair results. In our big warehouses in six different cities we have storage capacity for 370,000 (98-pound) bags. We are thus able to store "Purity" Flour until it is properly aged.

You can never get underaged flour if you always specify "Purity."

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